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The first post was set last week for the new Groton Digital Sign that is going up along US 12.

Sunday's State Legion Scores

Vermillion 10, Groton 0

Spearfish 7, Garretson 4

McCook/Minor 10, West Central 9

Monday, July 27

Legion state at Salem

Senior Menu: Turkey chow mein, rice and chow mein noodles, broccoli, waldorf salad, whole wheat bread.

Anniversary: Tom and Nancy Cutler

Birthdays: Ryland Strom • Tony Madsen • Kalli Leonhardt • Lori Herron • Bill Schuelke

6:30am: Emmanuel Lutheran Bible Study

Tuesday, July 28

Legion state at Salem

Senior Menu: Roast pork, mashed potatoes and gravy, parsley buttered carrots, apple sauce, Molasses cookie, whole wheat bread.

Anniv: Bob & Carolyn Snyder

Birthdays: Craig Weber • Blake Ronning • Jasmine Schaller • Julianna Kosel

8:00am: Elementary Library open (Mrs. Swisher reading at 10 am)

10:00am: United Methodist Women's Bible Study

Wednesday, July 29

Teener Regions

Senior Menu: Hamburger with multigrain bun, coleslaw, baked beans, ice cream sundae.

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Open: Recycling Trailer in Groton

The recycling trailer is located at 10 East Railroad Ave.

The cardboard/paper

recycling trailer at the school is **Closed**

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by Beverly Patterson

Bevitized: The \$3.39 Apology

The other day I picked up the phone at work and had a rather interesting discussion with the woman waiting on the other end of the line. I learned that her 86 year old mother had a set of jersey sheets she absolutely loved but over time they had developed a few small holes. I heard all about the conversation between a mother and a daughter that resulted in a call to the store where I work. They decided to see if we still had iron on patches available. I was able to tell her that we did and it was then I found out the woman calling was on crutches and planned to send her husband into the store to retrieve her "sheet mending" solution. I could sense the buildup of several customers at the cutting counter while I was on the phone so to expedite the call I told the woman I would have a package of assorted patched waiting at the register for her husband when he arrived.

What happened next is a bit of a blur. I know I got side tracked. I know there wasn't a single moment when I found myself wondering what to do next and then, out of no where, I heard the gal that had just picked up the ringing phone say, "Is there someone here that wants to talk to the customer on the phone about some iron on patches? She's beyond furious!"

I knew at that very moment, I was her girl. I was the one this woman wanted to scream at and pulverize and I would most likely have ended up needing a few iron on patches myself had she decided to hobble into the store and beat me with her crutches! Moments like this are so life changing. There has to be an immediate spike in a person's blood pressure that would most likely shatter the gauge and pop the cuff. It's good eye balls are firmly attached as they would most definitely pop right out of the sockets when the message sent from your brain reaches them if they weren't stuck in there pretty good. I told the gal that answered the phone, "I will handle this call. I'm going to take it in the office." I knew I was going to need to sit down in order to come up with the level of schmoozing this customer was going to require. Slowly I picked up the receiver and hit the "Line 1" button. I told her my name and that I heard she was terribly upset and then I told her I was 100% at fault. She delivered a rather short speech about how times have changed and that the whole world just doesn't care anymore and that no one ever does what they say they're going to do. I sincerely apologized and went over the details of what had transpired when her husband arrived. I never saw him and no one ever told me he was there but that another clerk had made an attempt to help him and he left with nothing. I accepted full responsibility and offered to buy the patches for her and personally deliver them once I got off work.

The spitting and sputtering that followed reminded me of what a hot air balloon might sound like if someone were to blow a hole in it. With my offer I had completely removed every bit of wind in her furious sails. I jotted down her address, told her I was not one of those people she fears the world is full of but rather a human being that made a mistake. I told her I was from a tiny little town and a bit old fashioned and that the only way I was going to be alright with what happened was to let me buy her patches and deliver them to her door. She agreed and then told me she was getting ready to go out but that her husband would be home. When I finally found her very nice split level home I sort of figured out where a part of her initial frustration may have been coming from. There were approximately ten steps leading up to her front door and the railing was completely covered with a very thick and over productive vine. I could barely get up and down the steps without falling and then I tried to imagine how much harder it would be if I were on crutches.

I've learned, over the years, that anger can sometimes be triggered by an event or occurrence that doesn't play out exactly as you've imagined but more often than not, it's a bit more complicated. From my own experience, I've learned that I tend to overreact over something as insignificant as an iron on patch when I have some other, more substantial pain lingering inside. I didn't have to do what I did to make this woman happy but I, too, have a mother that isn't as young as she used to be and I, too, want to do whatever it takes to make her life as happy and comfortable as I can so I suppose you could say, this very furious, lava spewing woman and her 86 year old mother with the holy sheets touched my heart in a way only a woman with an aging mother could understand!

Do You Want A Math Whiz Or A Basketball Wunderkind?

Science Is Moving Toward Designer Babies, But The Ethics Must Be Sorted out, Scientist Says

Ethical warning bells went off in April when Chinese researchers reported they had experimented with 85 defective human embryos to try to alter genes in every cell without otherwise damaging the DNA.

They failed. In most cases the genes were not altered at all, and in the few cases where the scientists managed to alter the genes, there were problems.

Even though the researchers had no plans to produce a live baby, their work once again raised the issue of how soon science will be able to engineer designer babies and, just as importantly, whether doing so is ethical.

"Science is moving at such a rapid pace that society can't put off much longer deciding what it thinks about the concept," says Peter Schattner, a scientist and author of the book "Sex, Love and DNA: What Molecular Biology Teaches Us About Being Human" (www.peterschattner.com).

"Abortion has long been a challenging and controversial issue, but with our increased ability to use fetal DNA to glimpse into the potential child's future, the moral issues have multiplied."

As science progresses, parents may be able to choose a child based not just on the sex, but on such criteria as a child's likelihood of excelling in sports or mathematics.

That's when the "should they" questions will become ever more pressing, Schattner says, and several scenarios could be raised that society must face. Among them:

- DNA testing is less expensive than it once was. As a result, more genetic conditions are being screened in newborn babies. In 1995, five conditions generally were included in those screens. A decade later, many states were testing for 24 or more. Before long, a whole-genome DNA screening will be less expensive than individual genetic tests. But what should be done with that data? Should parents know every potential health condition a child could face throughout his or her entire life? "You also need to think about the wishes of the children," Schattner says. "As they grow into adulthood, are they going to want to know everything about their genetic makeup?"

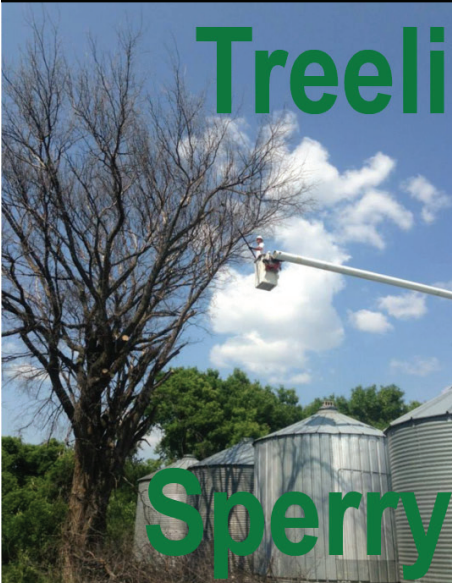
- Prenatal DNA data already lets prospective parents know whether a child will be born with Down syndrome or Tay-Sachs disease. Some parents choose abortions in those cases. But as science's understanding of DNA improves, those parents may soon be able to learn more than just whether a future child

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will face a devastating disease or condition. Medical professionals will be able to tell them whether their yet-to-be-born child will be affected by less severe disabilities, such as a hearing impairment or moderate intellectual disability. How will parents and society use that information?

- An ultrasound examination usually can reveal the sex of a child by week 12 or 13 of the pregnancy. DNA-based sex determination soon will be able to reveal that information as early as week seven. But that's not the end of the story for any parents who might want to select their child's sex. By combining prenatal genetic testing with in vitro fertilization, it soon will be possible to select fetuses without requiring an abortion. "The temptation to play God and choose a child on the basis of a variety of nonmedical considerations may become too strong for some parents," Schattner says. "The potential consequences are disturbing."

Society as a whole needs to understand the implications, he says, because science won't be able to provide all the answers.

"Science can only address questions of what is," Schattner says. "In contrast, questions about what should or shouldn't be are moral or ethical questions, and science can never answer them.

"But by understanding more fully the scientific questions about how the world is, we are in a better position to make societal and personal decisions that are in line with the moral and ethical beliefs we hold."

About Peter Schattner

Peter Schattner (www.peterschattner.com) is a scientist, educator and writer with 30 years of research experience in molecular biology, genetics, biomedical instrumentation and physics. He is a recipient of the Technical Innovation Award from the American Institute of Ultrasound in Medicine. Schattner received his doctorate degree from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology under Nobel Laureate Steven Weinberg and has held research and teaching positions at the University of California, California State University and Stanford Research Institute. He is the author of numerous scientific articles and reviews, as well as the textbook "Genomes, Browsers and Databases." His latest book, "Sex, Love and DNA: What Molecular Biology Teaches Us About Being Human" is his first book for non-scientists.

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Striving To Achieve A Broad, Stable Tax Base

A column by Gov. Dennis Daugaard:

On June 30, South Dakota state government closed the books on the 2015 budget year. For the fourth year in a row, the state general fund budget ended with a surplus, with both higher revenues and lower expenditures than budgeted. I have made it a priority to balance our budget each year with emphasis on conservative revenue projections. Other states often use rosy revenue numbers, debt or budget gimmicks to appear balanced, but South Dakota balances its budget honestly.

Our largest revenue source is our sales and use tax. Unfortunately, some sales made to South Dakota residents are able to escape the sales tax. This creates inequity, and is unfair to retailers in our state who must compete at a disadvantage.

Currently, only businesses with a "substantial nexus" or physical presence in South Dakota must collect sales tax on goods purchased online. Out-of-state retailers, who are not physically located in South Dakota, have no such obligation. The current system doesn't make sense, and it even discriminates among online purchases. If you buy a new iPod at your local retailer, you pay the sales tax. If you buy it online at BestBuy.com or WalMart.com, you pay the sales tax, because those businesses have retail operations in South Dakota. But if you buy your iPod from Amazon.com, you don't pay sales tax – simply because Amazon has no warehouse or other physical location in South Dakota.

If South Dakota retailers have to pay sales taxes, their competitors online should as well. This is not imposing a new tax. It is asking online retailers to pay the tax that is already legally due on these sales. Several pieces of legislation awaiting action or planned for introduction in Congress attempt to address this disparity. Consumers already owe sales and use tax on the goods they purchase. The legislation simply provides states the authority to enforce existing state and local sales and use tax laws and eliminates the competitive advantage enjoyed by remote retailers at the expense of local businesses.

I am thankful for the South Dakota congressional delegation's attention to this issue. Senator Thune, Senator Rounds and Congresswoman Noem understand that a good tax system does not give an unfair advantage to some. Whether by adding online retailers to the tax rolls, encouraging business growth or getting the unemployed back to work, we should strive to achieve a broad, stable tax base.

Online shopping has given every South Dakotan access to more goods and services than ever before, if they are willing to pay for shipping. There is nothing wrong with this. We should not, however, disadvantage our local retailers or our state budget by allowing out-of-state online businesses to avoid paying sales tax. Streamlined legislation is crucial, if we want to allow South Dakota's main street businesses to remain viable and competitive.

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Vermillion ends Groton's Legion season

Groton 0 - 10 Vermillion

📍 Home 🏠 Postseason 📅 Sunday, July 26th, 2015

	1	2	3	4	5	6	R	H	E
GRO	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
VRML	1	0	2	0	1	6	10	12	1

BATTING

Groton	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	SO	LOB
V Padilla	2	0	0	0	0	0	1
A Herman	3	0	0	0	0	1	0
B Shabazz	3	0	0	0	0	1	1
D Planteen	2	0	0	0	1	1	1
D Campbell	3	0	0	0	0	0	1
T Pray	2	0	0	0	0	1	0
S Schuring	2	0	1	0	0	0	0
B Keith	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
A Severson	2	0	0	0	0	1	3
Totals	19	0	1	0	2	5	5

1B: Schuring TB: Schuring SB: Herman CS: Padilla Team LOB: 5

PITCHING

Groton	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	HR
A Herman	5.1	10	9	9	5	4	0
D Planteen	0.0	1	1	1	0	0	0
V Padilla	0.1	1	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	5.2	12	10	10	5	4	0

LP: Herman P-S: Herman 130-70, Planteen 6-3, Padilla 5-4

Vermillion	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	SO	LOB
C Kratz	3	2	1	0	1	1	0
C Anderson	3	2	1	0	1	0	1
J Brown	3	3	3	2	1	0	0
H Christophe...	3	1	2	1	1	0	1
J Miller	3	1	1	4	0	0	3
E James	4	0	1	0	0	0	4
T Weber	4	0	2	1	0	1	2
J Odens	3	0	1	0	0	1	0
N Robertson	2	1	0	0	1	1	1
Totals	28	10	12	8	5	4	4

1B: Anderson, Brown 2, Christopherson 2, Miller, James, Weber 2, Odens 2B: Kratz, Brown TB: Kratz 2, Anderson, Brown 4, Christopherson 2, Miller, James, Weber 2, Odens SF: Miller SB: Brown Team LOB: 4

Vermillion	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	HR
E James	6.0	1	0	0	2	5	0
Totals	6.0	1	0	0	2	5	0

WP: James HBP: James 2 P-S: James 94-50

Today in Weather History

July 27, 1999: Golf ball size hail and high winds destroyed hundreds of acres of crops on a farm southeast of Ipswich. Golf ball size hail and high winds caused extensive damage to the Richland Wesley Church and to the pastor and associate pastor home. The hail poked numerous holes in the siding and shingles of the buildings and broke many windows. Several cars were damaged and a large tree was also downed. An F1 tornado snapped large branches off an oak and drove them into the ground. The tornado knocked down approximately 5 headstones in a small cemetery, and took a roof off a small outbuilding. It destroyed an empty grain bin, moved a grain auger 50 feet, and took off several large doors on a machine shed. The tornado also knocked down or snapped off numerous large trees in shelter belts and destroyed a barn and several outbuildings just north of Chelsea.

July 27, 2001: An F1 tornado damaged homes, public buildings, trees, and power lines in town of Lennox, Lincoln County. The American Legion building had its entire front facade ripped off, and its windows shattered. Several vehicles near the building sustained major damage from flying debris, and one was lifted and dropped partly onto another vehicle. Damage to homes included holes in permanent siding, several roofs heavily damaged, windows broken, fences blown down, garages damaged including at least one totally destroyed. Damage to public buildings included the pump house at the water tower being destroyed, the roof at the water plant was damaged, flag poles next to the ambulance building were broken, and an overhead door at the fire station was torn off. A fire truck at the fire station was damaged, and the station's window air conditioner was blown out along with some ceiling tiles inside. Power was lost to much of the city for at least an hour and a half because of the downed power lines.

1819: Hurricane affected coast from Louisiana to Alabama. It struck Bay St. Louis. New Orleans was at the fringe of the storm and suffered no severe damage. Ships at the Balize suffered a strong gale for 24 hours that only grounded three ships. Lakes Pontchartrain and Borgne rose five to six feet during the storm, with farms along the lakes flooded by the storm tide. Forty one lives were lost on the U.S. Man of War schooner Firebrand, a 150 ton gun ship, while it lay off the west end of Cat Island. At 15 least 43 people died in all.

1926 - A hurricane came inland near Daytona Beach, FL. The hurricane caused 2.5 million dollars damage in eastern Florida, including the Jacksonville area. (David Ludlum)

1939 - The temperature at Lewiston, ID, hit 117 degrees to establish an all-time record high for that location. (The Weather Channel)

1943 - On a whim, and flying a single engine AT-6, Lieutenant Ralph O'Hair and Colonel Duckworth were the first to fly into a hurricane. It started regular Air Force flights into hurricanes. (The Weather Channel)

1987 - Thunderstorms in Minnesota spawned a tornado which moved in a southwesterly direction for a distance of thirty miles across Rice County and Goodhue County. Trees were uprooted and tossed about like toys, and a horse lifted by the tornado was observed sailing horizontally through the air. Thunderstorms drenched La Crosse, WI, with 5.26 inches of rain, their second highest 24 hour total of record. (The National Weather Summary) (Storm Data)








1988 - Hot weather prevailed in the north central U.S. Williston, ND, reported a record high of 108 degrees. Thunderstorms produced severe weather in the eastern U.S., and in southeastern Texas. Richland County, SC, was soaked with up to 5.5 inches of rain. (The National Weather Summary)

1989: Thunderstorms produced locally heavy rains in the southwestern U.S. Yuma, Arizona experienced their most severe thunderstorm of record. Strong thunderstorm winds, with unofficial gusts as high as 95 mph, reduced visibilities to near zero in blowing dust and sand. Yuma got nearly as much rain in one hour as is normally received in an entire year. The storm total of 2.55 inches of rain was a record 24-hour total for July. Property damage due to flash flooding and high winds was in the millions.

1989 - Thunderstorms produced severe weather from Wisconsin and northern Illinois to New England, with 103 reports of large hail and damaging winds through the day. Thunderstorms in Wisconsin produced hail three inches in diameter near Oshkosh, and wind gusts to 65 mph at Germantown. (The National Weather Summary)

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Today	Tonight	Tuesday	Tuesday Night	Wednesday	Wednesday Night	Thursday
						
Mostly Sunny then Mostly Sunny and Breezy	Severe Thunderstorms and Breezy 50%	Sunny and Breezy	Mostly Clear and Breezy	Sunny and Breezy	Mostly Clear	Sunny
High: 93 °F	Low: 70 °F	High: 82 °F	Low: 59 °F	High: 83 °F	Low: 57 °F	High: 88 °F



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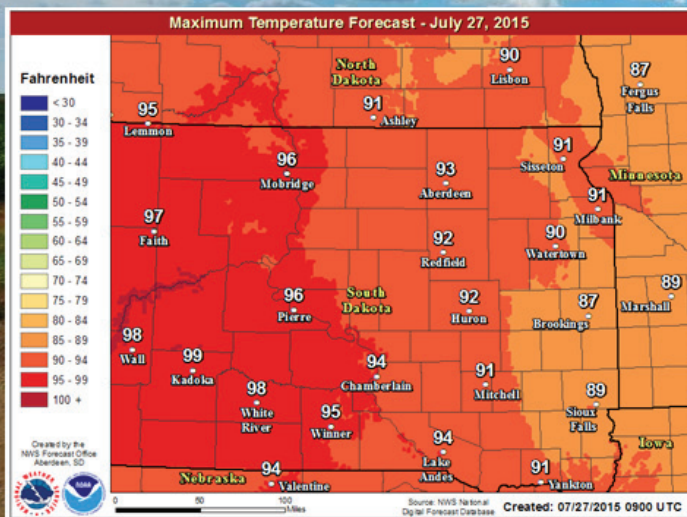


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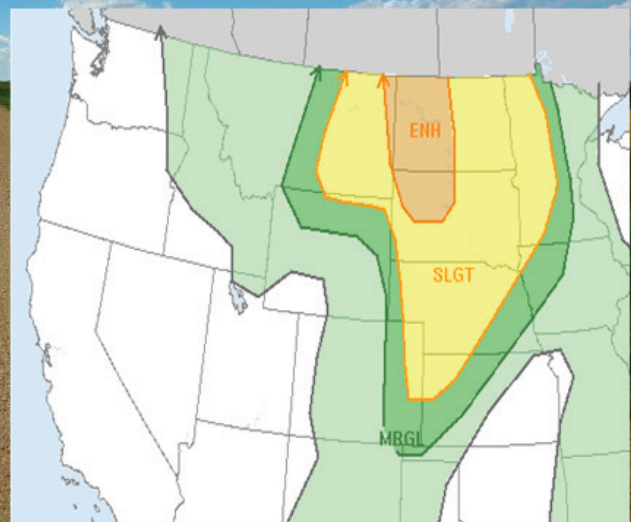


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Highs Today



Risk for Storms



Published on: 07/27/2015 at 4:56AM

Hot and humid conditions are expected across the region today. A frontal boundary will track across the area tonight, and will be the focus for thunderstorm development. Some of the storms may be severe, producing large hail and strong winds.

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Yesterday's Weather

High: 86.4 at 3:47 PM

Heat Index: 94.0 at 3:49 p.m.

Low: 59.7 at 6:18 AM

High Gust: 14 at 4:25 PM

Precip: 0.00

Today's Info

Record High: 110° in 1931

Record Low: 41° in 2013

Average High: 84°F

Average Low: 59°F

Average Precip in July: 2.68

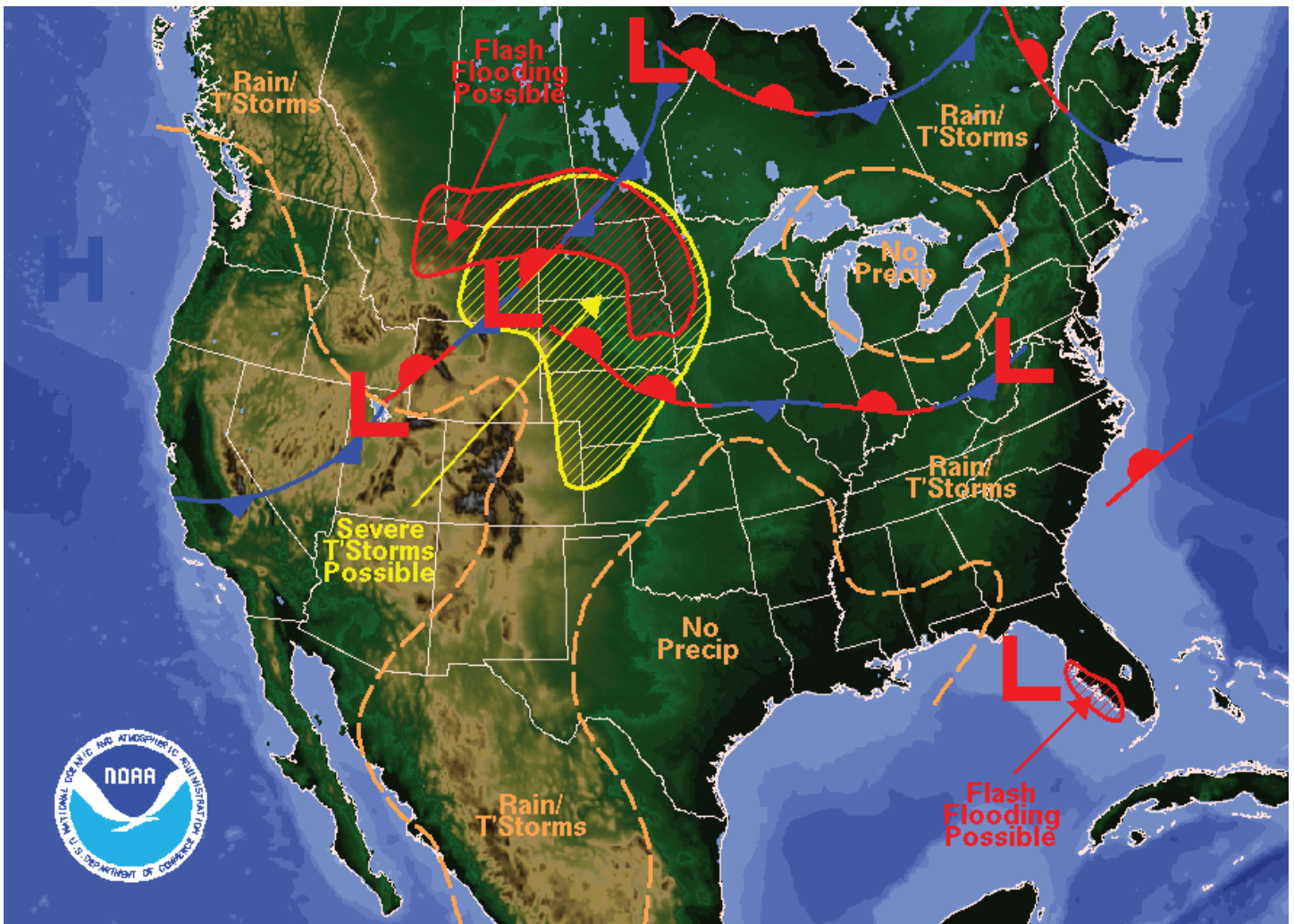
Precip to date in July: 2.70

Average Precip to date: 13.52

Precip Year to Date: 10.12

Sunset Tonight: 9:07 p.m.

Sunrise Tomorrow: 6:12 a.m.



Weather Forecast for Mon, Jul 27, 2015, issued 4:47 AM EDT
DOC/NOAA/NWS/NCEP/Weather Prediction Center
Prepared by McCreynolds based on WPC, SPC and NHC forecasts

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WARM WORDS AND A SINCERE SMILE

Years ago at a missionary conference in London, a gracious man with an inviting smile noticed a young boy standing alone looking puzzled. Softly he asked, "Would you like to be a missionary?"

"Oh yes," he answered, "yes, I would!"

And he did. He became one of the world's most famous missionaries as well as an explorer in Africa. Years later, David Livingstone said, "It was that smile, gentle question and expression of kindness that led me to become a missionary."

It is easy to overlook those who appear to be unimportant or seem to have no significance. We often consider them the "least in the Kingdom of God" – assuming that they have little worth in serving the Lord.

Jesus picked men to be His disciples who were considered "ordinary men." But those "ordinary men" preached sermons, wrote books, established the Church, grew the Kingdom and reached the world because some One said, "Follow me!"

Prayer: Father, open our eyes to those around us who we may invite to work with us to reach the lost. In Jesus' Name, Amen.

Scripture for Today: Matthew 28:19 Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit,

News from the Associated Press

Opponents protest proposed Keystone XL in advance of hearing

FORT PIERRE, S.D. (AP) — About 400 opponents of the proposed Keystone XL oil pipeline gathered in Fort Pierre to protest the long-delayed project.

Opponents led by American Indian drummers marched across a Missouri River bridge on Sunday. Critics fear the pipeline could pollute the environment.

Proponents say pipelines are safer than trains for transporting oil, and that the Keystone XL could create jobs and tax revenue.

South Dakota's Public Utilities Commission this week is beginning a hearing on whether to approve pipeline construction through South Dakota.

The Keystone XL would carry crude from Canada to Gulf Coast refineries, passing through several states. It also could transport some crude from the Bakken oil field.

Sentencing scheduled for ND man convicted in knife attack

BISMARCK, N.D. (AP) — Sentencing is scheduled for a North Dakota man convicted of attacking another man with a knife on the Standing Rock Indian Reservation.

Francis Reed, of Fort Yates, pleaded guilty in April to federal charges of assault with a dangerous weapon and assault resulting in serious bodily injury. He faces up to 10 years in prison on each charge.

Reed was originally charged with assault to commit murder for the September 2014 incident. That charge was dropped in exchange for the plea.

Sentencing is set for 9 a.m. Monday in Bismarck.

Authorities: Woman drowns in eastern South Dakota lake

MADISON, S.D. (AP) — Authorities say a woman has drowned in Lake Madison in eastern South Dakota. Lake County Sheriff Tim Walburg says the woman's friends reported that she fell out of a boat and into the lake about 4:30 p.m. Sunday. Her body was found about 8:30 p.m.

Walburg says the woman wasn't wearing a lifejacket. He says her name would likely be released Monday, pending notification of her family.

Lake Madison is about 40 miles northwest of Sioux Falls.

SD DOT: Pavement repairs set to begin on I-229 this week

SIoux FALLS, S.D. (AP) — The South Dakota Department of Transportation is starting road repairs in Sioux Falls on I-229 heading south between the Benson Road interchange and the Louise Avenue interchange.

The pavement repairs are scheduled to begin Monday. The work is set to start in the evening and continue overnight.

Repairs are also expected for the northbound lanes, and the work is set to be done in September.

The department says commuters should expect single lane closures.

South Dakota regulators to hear Keystone XL arguments again

JAMES NORD, Associated Press

PIERRE, S.D. (AP) — State regulators this week will consider whether to approve for the second time in just over five years construction through South Dakota of the long-delayed Keystone XL oil pipeline, but it's unlikely a decision will come immediately.

The South Dakota Public Utilities Commission hearing process is set to begin Monday and is scheduled to stretch until Aug. 4. The state initially authorized TransCanada Corp.'s project in 2010, but permits must

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be revisited if construction doesn't start within four years. The commission is now considering the firm's guarantee that it can complete the project while meeting the conditions of the 2010 approval.

Native American tribes, some landowners and environmental groups are opposing the pipeline because critics fear it could contaminate groundwater and contribute to pollution. Many state and local officials in Republican-dominated South Dakota argue pipelines are safer for transporting oil than trains and tout potential economic benefits to the state such as jobs and tax revenue.

Public Utilities Commission Chairman Chris Nelson said it's unlikely the panel will come to a final decision at the hearing. TransCanada will present its case first, and then opponents will offer their arguments and evidence, he said.

The panel's final decision can be appealed to the courts. Robin Martinez, an attorney with opposition group Dakota Rural Action, said the side that loses out "will certainly" file an appeal. He said the political realities in South Dakota lead him to think that the commission will allow the project to move forward.

South Dakota is one of several fronts where TransCanada is stalled in getting approval for the pipeline, which would go from Canada through Montana and South Dakota to Nebraska, where it would connect with existing pipelines to carry more than 800,000 barrels of crude oil a day to refineries along the Gulf Coast. It could also transport some crude from the Bakken oil field.

The pipeline proposed in 2008 has not received the required approval from President Barack Obama and is also delayed by a Nebraska court case from landowners who oppose it.

The project is routed through John Harter's property in Tripp County. Harter said there's no reason to risk water supplies to transport oil.

"I worked all my life for what I've got, and it ain't a lot," Harter said. "All I've got is my land to make a living. I don't appreciate my family being endangered for the profits of some greedy oil pipeline company."

Corey Goulet, TransCanada's president of Keystone Pipeline Projects, said the project will create construction jobs and spur about \$20 million a year in tax revenue in South Dakota.

Sam Mickelson, whose Meade County land is part of the pipeline's proposed route, said he'd rather get energy from Canada than from a country that's not friendly toward the U.S.

"I'm in the farming business, so I know you can't build everything positively, 100 percent foolproof, but as long as they're doing the things to make it the safest pipeline, that shows me they're dealing in good faith," he said.

Lt. Gov. Michaels encouraging clinical trials participation

PIERRE, S.D. (AP) — South Dakota Lt. Gov. Matt Michaels has joined peers in other states in encouraging patients to participate in clinical trials.

The National Lieutenant Governors Association has launched a campaign to raise awareness about the need for people of all races to participate in trials searching for cancer, diabetes and Alzheimer's treatments.

Michaels says "diverse and robust" volunteer participation is needed in successful clinical trials. He adds that minority groups are often underrepresented in clinical trials, "resulting in limited evidence for how effective such treatments may be for those individuals."

The association says African Americans represent 12 percent of the U.S. population, but make up only 5 percent of clinical trial participants. Hispanics represent 16 percent of the U.S. population, but only 1 percent of clinical trial participants.

SD man gets 11 months in prison for spitting at officer

PIERRE, S.D. (AP) — A central South Dakota man will be spending 11 months in prison for spitting at a law enforcement officer.

U.S. Magistrate Judge Mark Moreno has sentenced 27-year-old Anthony One Star for his conviction on one count assaulting, resisting or impeding a federal officer. The Rosebud man pleaded guilty to the charge in June.

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Authorities say the charge against One Star stems from an incident on Nov. 25 in the community of Two Strike on the Rosebud Indian Reservation. Authorities say a law enforcement officer was summoned to a home after One Star refused to leave, acted disrespectfully and spat on the kitchen area.

Court records show One Star wrestled with the officer, and spat on him multiple times.

Moreno also ordered One Star to one year of supervised release.

Homeowners can research properties' history at SD museum

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. (AP) — A southeast South Dakota museum is offering homeowners the chance to research their properties' history.

The Old Courthouse Museum in Sioux Falls wants to help homeowners find out the year their homes were built, who built them and any changes they have undergone throughout the years.

The museum has scheduled an event for Aug. 13 in which staff members from its collections department will be guiding homeowners in a hands-on program.

The museum says photos and documents from many area homes will be available to the public during the event.

2 Indian tribes in ND get over \$48K for economic development

NEW TOWN, N.D. (AP) — Two Indian tribes in North Dakota have received more than \$48,000 each for economic development efforts.

The state's congressional delegation says the funds from the U.S. Economic Development Administration have been awarded to the Sisseton-Wahpeton Oyate Sioux Tribe and the Three Affiliated Tribes.

U.S. John Hoeven says the grants will help the tribes "develop and diversify" their economies.

The grants are meant to be used to implement comprehensive economic development plans, bringing together the public and private sectors.

The grants are expected to lead to the creation of jobs in several North Dakota counties, as well as Codington, Day, Grant, Marshall and Roberts counties in South Dakota.

SD Civil Air Patrol cadet attending national training camp

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. (AP) — A Civil Air Patrol cadet from South Dakota is attending a prestigious national training camp at an Air Force Base in Alabama.

Nicole Schneider, of Sioux Falls, is among the 120 cadets from 36 states attending the Civil Air Patrol National Cadet Officers School at Maxwell Air Force Base in Montgomery, Alabama.

The training runs through Thursday. The school's rigorous curriculum focuses on leadership, problem-solving techniques, effective writing, speaking and group dynamics.

South Dakota Wing Cmdr. Col. John Seten says Schneider's selection to attend the school shows his group has "some of the finest cadets" in all of the Civil Air Patrol.

Only the top 15 percent of the patrol's cadets are accepted to attend the training.

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. OBAMA HOLDS TALKS ON SECURITY, HUMAN RIGHTS IN ETHIOPIA

He's the first sitting American president to visit the East African nation.

2. WHO TARGETS KURDS IN NORTHERN SYRIAN REGION

Syria's main Kurdish militia and an activist group say Turkish troops fired several shells on a Syrian village near the border, where tensions have soared in recent days.

3. REMEMBERING YOUNG WOMEN SHOT AT MOVIES

The local business owner and radiology student slain by a gunman inside a Louisiana movie theater are

laid to rest.

4. AP TRACKS MISSING SLAVE FISHING BOATS TO PAPUA NEW GUINEA

These trawlers fled a slave island in Indonesia 1,000 miles away with captives of a brutal trafficking ring whose catch reaches the U.S.

5. HOW CLINTON HOPES TO COMBAT CLIMATE CHANGE

The presidential candidate's strategies include revisions in the tax code to promote renewable energy.

6. WHY AFGHANISTAN BANS TOY GUNS

At least 184 people, nearly all children, suffer eye injuries over the recent Eid al-Fitr holiday from toy weapons that fire BB pellets and rubber shot, health officials say.

7. BOBBI KRISTINA BROWN, DAUGHTER OF WHITNEY HOUSTON, DEAD

The 22-year-old dies at a hospice facility in Georgia, about six months after she was found face-down and unresponsive in a bathtub in a suburban Atlanta home.

8. COLOMBIA UNEARTHS LANDFILL LOOKING FOR SCORES OF DISAPPEARED

Experts will begin removing 31,000 cubic yards of rubble from La Escombrera, where the remains of as many as 300 people are believed to have been dumped and which could be the country's biggest mass grave.

9. SHANGHAI SHARE INDEX DIVES MORE THAN 8 PERCENT

Chinese shares also suffer a renewed sell-off despite government efforts to support the market.

10. NON-COOL EAST PORTLAND SEEKS GREATER REPRESENTATION

A part of the city known for fashionable hipsters and devotion to public transit counters the narrative of livable, weird, predominantly white 'Portlandia.'

AP News in Brief

Obama in Ethiopia for talks with leaders on counterterrorism, human rights concerns

ADDIS ABABA, Ethiopia (AP) — President Barack Obama huddled with Ethiopia's leaders Monday for talks on counterterrorism, human rights and regional security issues, including the crisis in neighboring South Sudan.

Obama's visit marks the first visit by a sitting U.S. president to Ethiopia. He arrived at the National Palace in the capital of Addis Ababa for a bilateral meeting with Prime Minister Hailemariam Desalegn, followed by a joint news conference.

Later Monday, Obama was to convene a meeting of African leaders on the situation in South Sudan. The world's newest nation has been gripped by civil war for months, spurred by a conflict between warring factions in the government.

South Sudan is facing an Aug. 17 deadline to accept a peace and power-sharing agreement, though U.S. officials say they're pessimistic a deal will be reached. Obama's meeting with regional leaders is aimed in part at considering an international response if the deadline passes without a deal.

Obama arrived in Ethiopia on Sunday night after a stop in Kenya, his late father's homeland.

Turkish troops target Kurdish fighters in northern Syrian village

BEIRUT (AP) — Turkish troops have shelled a Syrian village near the border, targeting Kurdish fighters who have been battling the Islamic State group with the aid of U.S.-led airstrikes, Syria's main Kurdish militia and an activist group said Monday.

The Kurdish People's Protection Units, or YPG, said the Sunday night shelling on the border village of Til Findire targeted one of their vehicles. It said Til Findire is east of the border town of Kobani, where the Kurds handed a major defeat to the Islamic State group earlier this year.

In cross-border strikes since Friday, Turkey has targeted both Kurdish fighters as well as the IS group, stepping up its involvement in Syria's increasingly complex civil war. The Syrian Kurds are among the most

effective ground forces battling the IS group, but Turkey fears they could revive an insurgency against Ankara in pursuit of an independent state.

On Monday the YPG and Syrian rebels captured the town of Sareen in northern Syria, which had been held by the Islamic State group, according to The Britain-based Syrian Observatory for Human Rights and the Aleppo Media Center in Syria, two activist groups that track the civil war.

A Turkish official said Turkish forces are only targeting the IS group in Syria and the Kurdistan Workers' Party, or PKK, in neighboring Iraq.

AP investigation: Slave fishing boats tracked to Papua New Guinea after fleeing Indonesia

YANGON, Myanmar (AP) — From space, the fishing boats are just little white specks floating in a vast stretch of blue water off Papua New Guinea. But zoom in and there's the critical evidence: Two trawlers loading slave-caught seafood onto a massive refrigerated cargo ship.

The trawlers fled a slave island in Indonesia with captives of a brutal Southeast Asian trafficking ring whose catch reaches the United States. Hundreds of men were freed after they were discovered there earlier this year, but 34 boats loaded with workers left for new fishing grounds before help arrived — they remain missing.

After a four-month investigation, The Associated Press has found that at least some of them ended up in a narrow, dangerous strait nearly 1,000 miles away. The proof comes from accounts from recently returned slaves, satellite beacon tracking, government records, interviews with business insiders and fishing licenses. The location is also confirmed in images from space taken by one of the world's highest resolution satellite cameras, upon the AP's request.

The skippers have changed their ships' names and flags to evade authorities, but hiding is easy in the world's broad oceans. Traffickers operate with impunity across boundaries as fluid as the waters. Laws are few and hardly enforced. And depleted fish stocks have pushed boats farther out into seas that are seldom even glimpsed, let alone governed.

This lack of regulation means that even with the men located, bringing them to safety may prove elusive.

Greece's beleaguered boat makers, yacht merchants worry luxury tax hike may torpedo business

ATHENS, Greece (AP) — At its height eight years ago, George Kranitis' 10,000 sq. foot family-owned shipyard Nireus in Patra, Greece's third-largest city, employed some 35 people and sold around 340 boats annually.

But after years of biting recession, Kranitis has had to fire almost everyone.

And if that wasn't enough, things just got a whole lot more taxing — literally.

In order to get its third financial bailout in five years, Greece's government has had to introduce a series of economic reforms and austerity measures — just to get discussions started.

One involves the extension of an annual luxury tax to all recreational boats over 16.4 feet (5 meters), so it's not just your average Catamaran that's a feature across countless harbours in the Aegean Sea.

'She is finally at peace': Bobbi Kristina Brown, daughter of Whitney Houston, has died at 22

DULUTH, Ga. (AP) — Born and raised in the shadow of fame and litigation, shattered by the loss of her mother, Whitney Houston, Bobbi Kristina Brown was overwhelmed by the achievements and demons of others before she could begin to figure out who she was.

Bobbi Kristina died Sunday at Peachtree Christian Hospice in Duluth, Georgia, about six months after she was found face-down and unresponsive in a bathtub in the suburban Atlanta townhome she shared

with Nick Gordon, the man she called her husband. She was 22-years-old.

"Bobbi Kristina Brown passed away July, 26 2015, surrounded by her family. She is finally at peace in the arms of God. We want to again thank everyone for their tremendous amount of love and support during these last few months," Kristen Foster, a representative for the Houston family said Sunday.

The Fulton County Medical Examiner's Office confirmed Bobbi Kristina's death Sunday night.

Police said she was found Jan. 31 at her Roswell home. A police report described it as a "drowning."

2 lives cut short: Family and friends remember the young women killed inside a movie theater

LAFAYETTE, La. (AP) — One was a talented artist who sang in an all-female band and planted trees to beautify her neighborhood. Another was studying to be a radiology technician and looking forward to a future with a longtime boyfriend.

Jillian Johnson, 33, and Mayci Breaux, 21, were shot and killed last Thursday while watching the movie "Trainwreck" at The Grand 16 movie theater in Lafayette, leaving stunned friends and family questioning how two lives off to such promising starts could end so tragically.

Police say John Russell Houser, 59, stood up about 20 minutes into the movie and began firing before ultimately taking his own life.

Funerals for both women were scheduled for Monday.

Friends of Johnson, like Pudd Sharp, remembered her as a woman of talent and warmth. At an event to remember the victims he pointed out people wearing T-shirts she designed and described her as a funny, talented and welcoming woman. He said she was a "tastemaker," the type of person that if you showed up at a club or restaurant or an event and she was there, you knew you were in the right place.

In Afghanistan, a country awash with weapons, the government bans toy guns

KABUL, Afghanistan (AP) — The weapons of Afghanistan's long decades of war can be seen almost everywhere, from the burned-out hulks of Soviet tanks to the Kalashnikov assault rifles slung over policemen's shoulders and helicopter gunships roaring overhead.

It should be no surprise then that young children play "police and Taliban," chasing each other around with toy guns and weaponry designed to mimic the real thing. And like the real war, there have been casualties.

At least 184 people, nearly all children, suffered eye injuries over the recent Eid al-Fitr holiday from toy weapons that fire BB pellets and rubber shot, health officials said. In response, authorities have banned toy guns.

"The Afghan Interior Ministry orders all police forces to confiscate toy guns, which can lead to physical and psychological damage to people," the order read.

It didn't elaborate on what psychological damage the toy guns can cause. The noise of gunfire is almost unmistakable to most Afghans, and unlike in the U.S., there have been no prominent cases of police officers here killing children brandishing toy Kalashnikovs or plastic pistols.

Shanghai share index dives more than 8 percent, biggest daily drop since 2007

SEOUL, South Korea (AP) — The Shanghai share index fell the most since early 2007 on Monday as Chinese stocks suffered a renewed sell-off despite government efforts to calm the market.

The Shanghai Composite Index closed down 8.5 percent at 3,725.56 with most of the plunge occurring in the last hour of trading. Other stock benchmarks around the world also were lower.

In Europe, Britain's FTSE 100 fell 0.3 percent to 6,563.67 and Germany's DAX shed 1 percent to 11,232.43. France's CAC 40 dropped 1.1 percent to 4,999.60. Futures augured a sluggish day for Wall Street. S&P

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500 futures dropped 0.2 percent and Dow futures were down 0.3 percent.

Monday's fall on the Shanghai market was the biggest one-day decline in Chinese stocks since an 8.8 percent plunge on Feb. 27, 2007, according to financial data provider FactSet.

Some analysts said the dive was sparked by brokerages restricting credit used to finance stock purchases, also known as margin trading. Chinese authorities took aggressive steps to stabilize the market after it tumbled last month, wiping away about \$3.2 trillion in market capitalization. But analysts have been skeptical that such gravity-defying efforts could be sustained.

US candidate sticks with criticism of Iran nuclear deal as marching Israelis to 'oven'

WASHINGTON (AP) — Republican presidential candidate Mike Huckabee is likening the agreement on an Iranian nuclear deal to "marching the Israelis to the door of the oven," a reference to the Holocaust.

The former Arkansas governor made the tweet Sunday, a day after first making the comparison when denouncing President Barack Obama for his role in the agreement reached July 14 by the United States and five other world powers with Tehran.

Responding, Democratic National Committee Chairwoman Debbie Wasserman Schultz said Huckabee's statement was "grossly irresponsible" and called on him to apologize.

But a Huckabee spokeswoman said Sunday his comments reflect a longstanding position that "the Iran deal is a bad deal, bad for America and bad for Israel." Huckabee's tweet called on Congress to reject the nuclear deal.

"This president's foreign policy is the most feckless in American history," Huckabee said in an interview with Breitbart News broadcast on Sirius/XM radio Saturday. "He's so naive he would trust the Iranians and he would take the Israelis and basically march them to the door of the oven."

Multi-ethnic, neglected East Portland tests 'Portlandia' myth, is fastest growing part of town

PORTLAND, Ore. (AP) — Portland may be known for fashionable hipsters, devotion to public transit, locally sourced chickens and artisanal food carts. But a part of this city by the river counters the narrative of livable, weird, predominantly white 'Portlandia.'

Long-overlooked by visitors and many locals, East Portland stretches far from downtown, on the city's eastern edge. It's ethnically and racially diverse, houses a large percentage of the city's children, low-income families and immigrants, and lacks many of the amenities of 'cool' Portland.

Here, shabby apartment complexes, fading strip malls, wide avenues and fast-food chains are the norm. But with a quarter of Portlanders now calling it home and rising costs pushing residents out of the inner core, East Portland has become hard to ignore.

In recent years, city officials have recognized East Portland's neglect, promising change and implementing improvements. But a group of residents says it's too little, too late. And in neighborhoods where sidewalks and parks are scant and crime is high, they're organizing to get greater representation.

A ballot measure filed earlier this month would overhaul Portland's at large elections and commission form of government in favor of a strong mayor and nine council members elected by district. Most council members would have to live in the neighborhoods they represent, which proponents say would mean better representation for East Portland and areas with less political clout.

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Today in History The Associated Press

Today is Monday, July 27, the 208th day of 2015. There are 157 days left in the year.

Today's Highlights in History:

On July 27, 1940, Bugs Bunny made his "official" debut in the Warner Bros. animated cartoon "A Wild Hare." Billboard magazine published its first "music popularity chart" listing best-selling retail records (in first place was "I'll Never Smile Again" recorded by Tommy Dorsey and His Orchestra, with featured vocalist Frank Sinatra).

On this date:

In 1789, President George Washington signed a measure establishing the Department of Foreign Affairs, forerunner of the Department of State.

In 1861, Union Maj. Gen. George B. McClellan took command of the Army of the Potomac during the Civil War.

In 1921, Canadian researcher Frederick Banting and his assistant, Charles Best, succeeded in isolating the hormone insulin at the University of Toronto.

In 1953, the Korean War armistice was signed at Panmunjom, ending three years of fighting.

In 1960, Vice President Richard M. Nixon was nominated for president on the first ballot at the Republican national convention in Chicago.

In 1965, Shirley Ann Lawson of Auckland gave birth to four girls and a boy, the first quintuplets born in New Zealand.

In 1967, President Lyndon B. Johnson appointed the Kerner Commission to assess the causes of urban rioting, the same day black militant H. Rap Brown said in Washington that violence was "as American as cherry pie."

In 1974, the House Judiciary Committee voted 27-11 to adopt the first of three articles of impeachment against President Richard Nixon.

In 1980, on day 267 of the Iranian hostage crisis, the deposed Shah of Iran died at a military hospital outside Cairo, Egypt, at age 60.

In 1995, the Korean War Veterans Memorial was dedicated in Washington by President Bill Clinton and South Korean President Kim Young-sam.

In 1996, terror struck the Atlanta Olympics as a pipe bomb exploded at Centennial Olympic Park, directly killing one person and injuring 111. (Anti-government extremist Eric Rudolph later pleaded guilty to the bombing.)

In 2003, comedian Bob Hope died in Toluca Lake, California, at age 100.

Ten years ago: NASA said a sizable chunk of foam insulation came flying off the shuttle Discovery's fuel tank during liftoff, prompting the space agency to ground future shuttle flights until the problem could be fixed. Al-Qaida in Iraq said it had killed two kidnapped Algerian diplomats. Ahmed Ressam (AH'-med rehs-AHM'), an Algerian who'd plotted to bomb Los Angeles International Airport on the eve of the millennium, was sentenced to 22 years in prison by a federal judge in Seattle. (However, a three-judge panel of the 9th Circuit U.S. Court of Appeals ruled in February 2010 that the 22-year sentence was too lenient; Ressam was later resentenced to 37 years.)

Five years ago: BP announced that its much-criticized chief executive, Tony Hayward, would be replaced by Robert Dudley as the company reported a record quarterly loss and set aside \$32.2 billion to cover the costs of the massive Gulf of Mexico oil spill. Canadian character actor Maury Chaykin died in Toronto on his 61st birthday.

One year ago: Italy's Vincenzo Nibali won the Tour de France, becoming the first Italian to win cycling's greatest race in 16 years. Bernhard Langer ran away with the Senior British Open for his fourth senior major title, finishing a Champions Tour-record 13 strokes ahead of Scotland's Colin Montgomerie. Frank Thomas, Tom Glavine and Greg Maddux, and managers Bobby Cox, Joe Torre and Tony La Russa, were inducted into baseball's Hall of Fame.

Today's Birthdays: TV producer Norman Lear is 93. Actor Jerry Van Dyke is 84. Sportscaster Irv Cross

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is 76. Actor John Pleshette is 73. Singer Bobbie Gentry is 71. Actress-director Betty Thomas is 68. Olympic gold medal figure skater Peggy Fleming is 67. Singer Maureen McGovern is 66. Actress Janet Eilber is 64. Rock musician Tris Imboden (Chicago) is 64. Actress Roxanne Hart is 61. Country musician Duncan Cameron is 59. Comedian-actress-writer Carol Leifer is 59. Comedian Bill Engvall is 58. Jazz singer Karrin Allyson is 53. Country singer Stacy Dean Campbell is 48. Rock singer Juliana Hatfield is 48. Actor Julian McMahon is 47. Actor Nikolaj Coster-Waldau (NIH'-koh-lye KAH'-stur WAHL'-dah) is 45. Comedian Maya Rudolph is 43. Rock musician Abe Cunningham is 42. Singer-songwriter Pete Yorn is 41. MLB All-Star Alex Rodriguez is 40. Actor Seamus Dever is 39. Actor Jonathan Rhys (rees) Meyers is 38. Actor Blair Redford is 32. Actress Taylor Schilling is 31. Singer Cheyenne Kimball is 25.

Thought for Today: "The test of courage comes when we are in the minority. The test of tolerance comes when we are in the majority." - Ralph W. Sockman, American clergyman (1889-1970).