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Flea Market

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Bus Driver Wanted

The Groton Area School District has openings for a part time (morning) bus route and for a full-time bus route driver. Assistance in obtaining the proper licensure is available. Please contact Transportation Supervisor, Loren Bahr, at 397-8117 for more details.

Open: Recycling Trailer in Groton

The recycling trailer is located at 10 East Railroad Ave.

The cardboard/paper

recycling trailer at the school is **Open**

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Monday, Aug. 29

Pool Hours:

4 p.m. to 7 p.m.: Open Swim

More Herbs, Less Salt Day

Senior Menu: Meatballs, mashed potatoes and gravy, carrots, fruit cocktail, whole wheat bread.

School Breakfast: French toast sticks, links, fruit, juice or milk.

School Lunch: Chicken strips, French fries, romaine salad, fruit.

Birthdays: • Chuck Padfield • Kristi Thurston • William Zoellner • Jody Bull • Terry Leonhardt • Felicia Ethridge • Tonica Larson • Shawn McDonald

6:30am: Emmanuel Lutheran Bible Study

Tuesday, Aug. 30

Pool Hours:

4 p.m. to 7 p.m.: Open Swim

Frankenstein Day

Toasted Marshmallow Day

School Lunch: Cheese sticks, broccoli and dip, tater tots, fruit.

School Breakfast: Cinnamon roll, yogurt, fruit, juice or milk.

Senior Menu: Hamburger cabbage roll hot dish, tomato spoon salad, pears, cornmeal muffin.

Birthdays: Nathan Atherton • Rachel Zaudtke • Ashley Gibbs • Troy Zoellner • Emma Jo Schinkel

10:00am: Boys golf at Aberdeen Central (Lee Park)

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

6:00pm: Volleyball hosts Ipswich (C/JV matches start at 6 pm)

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Groton boys soccer team beat Vermillion

Groton 4, Vermillion 1

Goals by Clayton Kurtz, Anthony Schinkel, Jackson Becker

Assists by Wyatt Kurtz (2 assists) , Anthony Schinkel, Hunter Schaller

Goalie saves: 6 first half, 10 second half Wyatt Locke

Defense: Austin Jones, Wyatt Kurtz, and Mich Poor

The Tigers did a great job of putting defensive pressure on Vermillion and Wyatt Locke had some great saves at goalie. Second half the coaches made some adjustments and the Tigers started attacking the net, scoring all four goals second half. Every player on the team contributed to the Tiger win.

Players are Lee Williams, Tucker Carda, Anthony Schinkel, Clayton Kurtz, Grady O'Neil, Austin Jones, Mich Poor, Hunter Schaller, Truitt Rogers, Wyatt Locke, Isaiah Williams, Noah Poor, Jackson Becker, and Isaac Smith

Coached by Mike Becker and Craig Sternhagen

Next Saturday Groton takes on Tea at home at 3pm



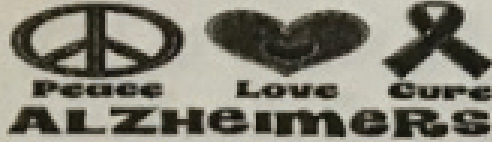
Wyatt Kurtz gets a good kick on the ball in front of the Vermillion defender. (Photo by Paul Kosel)



Austin Jones goes for a header in the soccer game played Saturday in Groton. (Photo by Paul Kosel)

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Indian Taco Fundraiser



Wednesday, Aug. 31

Starting at 11:30 a.m.

at the Golden Living Center

Fundraiser for the

Alzheimer's Association

1 taco is \$7

1 taco with a pop and a bar is \$10

Coke, Dt. Coke, Orange and Mt. Dew

Choice of toppings: Meat, Pinto beans, onions, cheese, lettuce, tomato, salas and sour cream.

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Soup, Sandwich and Pie Luncheon

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Thursday, Sept. 8

11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

St. John's Lutheran Church

Groton

Craft and Bake Sale

Supplemental funds have been
applied for from

Thrivent Financial for Lutherans.

DVDs of the Football Games are Available

They are \$25 per game. Or if you subscribe to the season, it would be \$20 per game and you would receive them in the mail each week. Call or Text Paul at 605/397-7460 for details.

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Today in Weather History

August 29, 1983: A devastating hail storm struck portions of central South Dakota. In a small portion of Faulk county hail pounded the area for two straight hours. At times, the hail was the size of baseballs. Of course, this amazing hail storm devastated crops in the area and took out windows in area buildings. In one home, the windows were shattered, the curtains shredded, and much of the upper floor was ruined by glass shards and water. On some houses paint was literally peeled off by the continual pounding of the hail. Also funnel clouds were reported just east of Lake City, and near Langford and Veblen in Marshall County. In Veblen, a pole barn was blown over and shingles torn off. A coal shed was destroyed, a semi-trailer was blown over, and two grain augers were damaged due to high winds.

August 29, 1993: A severe thunderstorm hit Groton with hail, damaging lightning, and 3.43 inches of rain which flooded some basements. At the high school, lightning spit a 30 foot chimney which fell through a large skylight and sections of the roof.

1960: The storm that would become Hurricane Donna forms near Cape Verde off the African coast. It would go on to cause 150 deaths from Puerto Rico to New England over the next two weeks.

1962 - Hackberry, LA, was deluged with twenty-two inches of rain in 24 hours, establishing a state record. (The Weather Channel)

1965 - A national record for the month of August was established when 2.5 inches of snow fell atop Mount Washington NH. Temperatures in New England dipped to 39 degrees at Nantucket MA, and to 25 degrees in Vermont. For many location it was the earliest freeze of record. (David Ludlum)

1987 - Some of the most powerful thunderstorms in several years developed over the piedmont of North Carolina, and marched across central sections of the state during the late afternoon and evening hours. Baseball size hail was reported around Albemarle, while thunderstorm winds downed giant trees around High Falls. (The National Weather Summary) (Storm Data)








1988 - Cool air invaded the north central U.S. Ten cities reported record low temperatures for the date, including Bismarck ND with a reading of 33 degrees. Deerfield, a small town in the Black Hills of South Dakota, reported a low of 23 degrees. The remnants of Tropical Storm Chris drenched eastern Pennsylvania with up to five and a half inches of rain, and produced high winds which gusted to 90 mph, severely damaging a hundred boats in Anne Arundel County MD. (The National Weather Summary) (Storm Data)

1989 - Evening thunderstorms produced destructive lightning in West Virginia. The lightning caused widespread damage, particularly in Doddridge County. Numerous trees were downed closing many roads. Fire companies had a difficult time tending to the many homes and trailers on fire. Anchorage AK reported a record 9.60 inches of rain for the month of August. The average annual precipitation for Anchorage is just slightly more than fifteen inches. Three day rainfall totals in northwest Missouri ranged up to 8.20 inches at Maryville. (The National Weather Summary)

2005: Hurricane Katrina makes landfall near New Orleans, Louisiana, as a Category 4 hurricane on this day in 2005. Despite being only the third most powerful storm of the 2005 hurricane season, Katrina was the worst natural disaster in the history of the United States.

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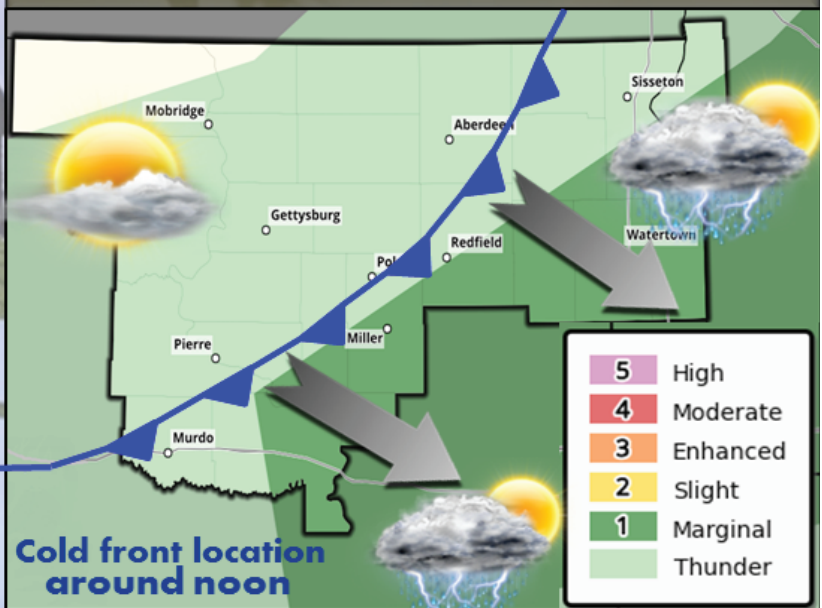
Today	Tonight	Tuesday	Tuesday Night	Wednesday	Wednesday Night	Thursday
						
Sunny	Mostly Clear	Sunny	Mostly Clear	Sunny	Mostly Clear	Sunny
High: 85 °F	Low: 57 °F	High: 81 °F	Low: 57 °F	High: 82 °F	Low: 56 °F	High: 80 °F

Few Strong Afternoon Thunderstorms possible, mainly over eastern SD and western MN

High 80 to 92°
warmest south



Severe Weather Outlook Today



National Weather Service – Aberdeen, SD

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National Weather Service Aberdeen



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Updated: 8/29/2016 4:21 AM Central

Published on: 08/29/2016 at 4:26AM

A cold front will sink southeasterly across the region today. The main result will be a quick north to northeasterly wind shift behind the front. Temperatures ahead of the front will still be able to get into the low 90s across central South Dakota, while topping out in the 80s elsewhere. Mid to late afternoon thunderstorms will be possible mainly southeast of a line from Pierre to Aberdeen, with a few of them possibly becoming strong to severe. Large hail and strong winds will be the main threats with any stronger storms.

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Yesterday's Weather

High Outside Temp: 91.2 F at 4:28 PM

Heat Index: 101 at 3:38 PM

Low Outside Temp: 63.8 F at 12:19 AM

High Gust: 30.0 Mph at 3:55 PM

Precip: 0.00

Today's Info

Record High: 100° in 1961

Record Low: 30° in 1893

Average High: 79°F

Average Low: 53°F

Average Precip in Aug: 2.27

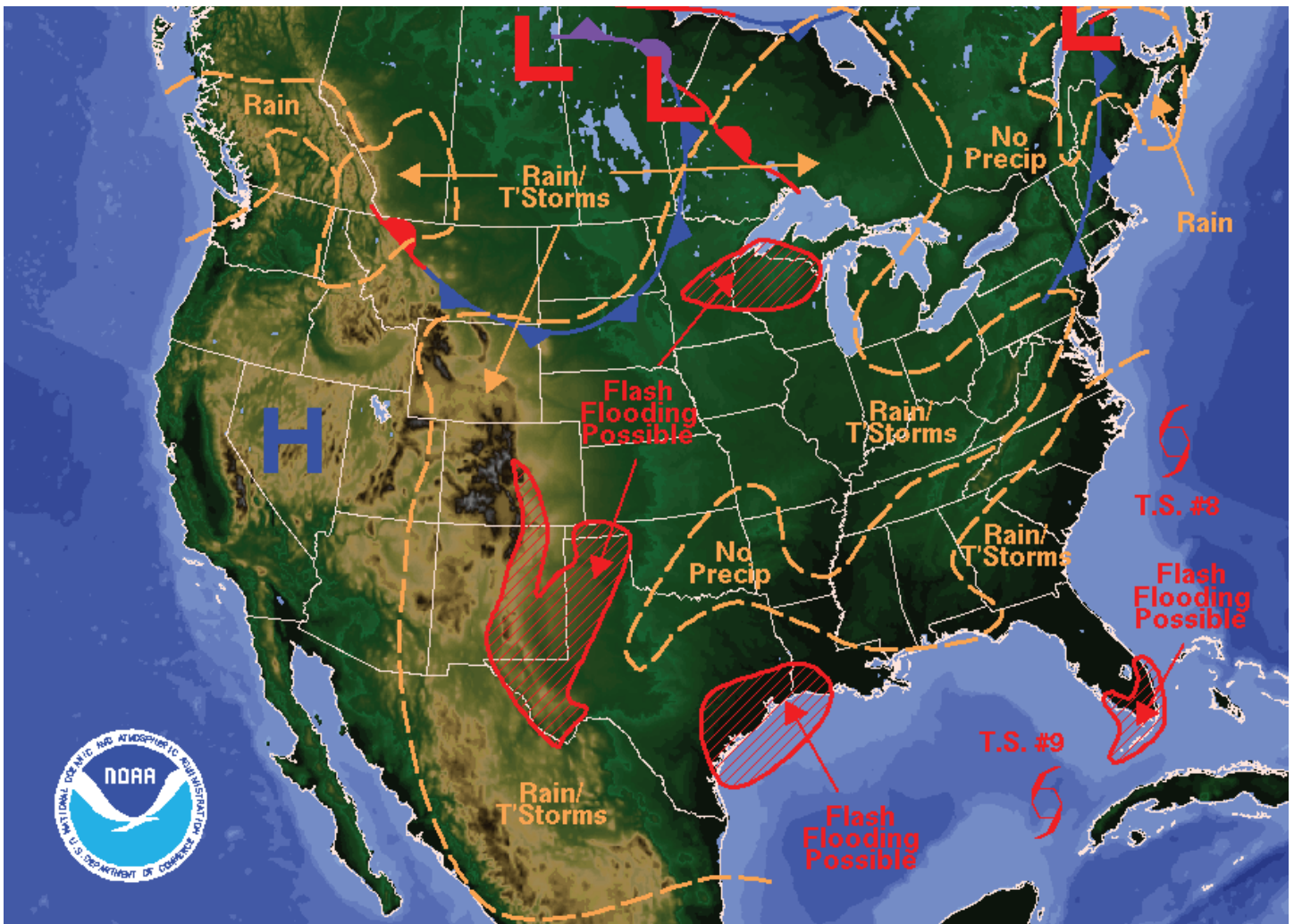
Precip to date in Aug: 1.93

Average Precip to date: 16.13

Precip Year to Date: 12.66

Sunset Tonight: 8:15 p.m.

Sunrise Tomorrow: 6:53 a.m.



Weather Forecast for Mon, Aug 29, 2016, issued 4:58 AM EDT
DOC/NOAA/NWS/NCEP/Weather Prediction Center
Prepared by McReynolds based on WPC, SPC and NHC forecasts

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THE SOURCE

Niccolo Paganini began his musical career later than most musicians. He developed his talents so rapidly and was so gifted that his skills exceeded most of his instructors in a short amount of time. He was the most celebrated violinists of his day and is recognized as one of the greatest virtuosos who ever lived.

One evening as he walked on the stage for a concert he felt that something was wrong. He looked around and could see nothing unusual that would cause this feeling. Then he looked at his instrument and realized that he was handed the wrong violin as he walked on stage. As the orchestra conductor lifted his baton to begin the concert he realized that it was too late to exchange violins.

Later that evening those who heard him perform said that it was his greatest performance. When asked about the violin he said, "Today I learned the most important lesson of my career. I thought the music was in the instrument. Today I learned it is in me."

Jesus said that if we remain in Him, as a branch in a tree, we will have life. Once a branch is no longer connected to the tree it withers and dies. If we desire to be in Christ we must stay connected to Him by staying in His Word, by spending time with Him in prayer and by being obedient to Him in keeping His commands.

Prayer: We ask, Heavenly Father, that our love for You will be so intense that we will live a life that is centered in Your Word, in prayer and in obedience to You. In Jesus' Name, Amen.

Scripture for Today: John 15:5 "I am the vine; you are the branches. If a man remains in me and I in him, he will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing."

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News from the Associated Press

FBI wants help identifying body found on reservation

PORCUPINE, S.D. (AP) — The FBI is seeking the public's help identifying a man found dead on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation.

The body of a man in his 30s or 40s was found Aug. 20 in a wooded area in Porcupine. Authorities didn't release details about how he died.

The man was about 5-foot-10, weighed about 190 pounds and had shoulder-length black and gray hair. He was wearing size 10 white tennis shoes, blue sweat pants and a grey Florida Gulf Coast University T-shirt.

He had three tattoos — a Native American male face with downward feather on his left shoulder; "SKYE" with a broken heart on his right shoulder; and a tribal flag symbol depicting eight teepees inside a two-ringed circle on his right upper arm.

Anyone with information can call 763-569-8000.

State awarding over \$220K in tobacco disparities grants

PIERRE, S.D. (AP) — The state Department of Health is handing out more than \$220,000 in grants aimed at curbing tobacco use in populations with higher rates of it.

Kiley Hump is chronic disease prevention and health promotion administrator for the Department of Health. Hump says tobacco use is the leading cause of preventable death.

Grantees include the Boys and Girls clubs of Brookings and Watertown, Coteau Des Prairies Health Care System, Delta Dental of South Dakota Foundation, Missouri Breaks Industries Research Inc. and the Teddy Bear Den.

The groups will carry out activities including offering tobacco prevention and cessation education.

Israeli military investigates soldier in deadly shooting

JERUSALEM (AP) — The Israeli military says it has opened an investigation into a soldier who fatally shot a Palestinian in the West Bank last week.

The military initially said that the man had run toward a military post before he was shot and killed Friday. Israeli media subsequently reported that the man was unarmed.

The military announced the investigation on Monday but gave no further details. The Haaretz daily says the soldier is suspected of involuntary manslaughter.

On Syria, Democrats look to deflect the conversation

VIVIAN SALAMA, Associated Press

WASHINGTON (AP) — In his speech at the Republican National Convention, Donald Trump made six references to the conflict in Syria, pointing to the war-ravaged nation as a source of much of the world's turmoil, particularly immigration and extremism.

A week later at the Democratic convention, Hillary Clinton made not one reference to Syria.

The conflict in Syria remains a major conundrum for both President Barack Obama and Clinton, his former secretary of state. With a firm reluctance to enter another U.S. war in the Middle East, the United States has focused its military efforts on fighting the Islamic State group in northern Syria and in Iraq while pursuing so-far failed diplomatic efforts to end the civil war.

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Now entering its sixth year, the Syria conflict has killed more than a quarter million people, displaced some 11 million, and has turned the once-cosmopolitan, secular country into a hive of factions with dangerously competing interests.

"Of the two or three biggest legacy problems for the Obama administration, in terms of foreign policy, Syria will figure prominently on that list," said Robert Ford, U.S. ambassador to Syria during the uprising and now a senior fellow at the Middle East Institute. There is an element within the Democratic Party, Ford adds, that "would go as far as to say the United States helped to cause that problem."

Clinton has tap-danced around the issue, particularly since her views may not be in line with that of her former boss. Her closest advisers point out that she often had a more hawkish approach to international relations than many in her party, including Obama, but delving into such a complex situation on the campaign trail risks putting off voters who are more concerned with the situation at home.

"There is a benefit to the Syria debate not getting too political at this stage," said Ilan Goldenberg, a Clinton adviser who is senior fellow and director of the Middle East Security Program at the Center for a New American Security. "There will be a rigorous process of us evaluating all our options. It's much more deep than what you get on the campaign trail but my instinct is she'll lean further forward."

While Clinton has been one of the most pro-intervention candidates to run for the presidency in 2016, she has not condoned the forceful removal of Syrian President Bashar Assad from power, calling instead for a peaceful handover. In a December debate, she said she supports the establishment of a no-fly zone "to create those safe refuges within Syria." The aim would be "to try to protect people on the ground both from Assad's forces, who are continuing to drop barrel bombs, and from ISIS," she said, using an acronym for the Islamic State group.

"And of course, it has to be de-conflicted with the Russians, who are also flying in that space," she added.

But Clinton dodged a question about whether failure to take more assertive action in Syria damaged American credibility, saying at a later debate that, "as commander-in-chief, you have to be constantly evaluating the decisions you have to make."

The type of intervention that many had envisioned — targeting key installments belonging to Assad's government after it was found to be using chemical weapons in 2013 — never came to fruition. Appetite for intervention of any kind was especially low after the vastly unpopular U.S.-led invasion of Iraq, and Washington was still reeling from the 2012 attack on the U.S. consulate in Benghazi, Libya, that killed four Americans, including Ambassador Chris Stevens. Clinton has been forced to answer inquiries over the security failures leading to that attack.

Clinton "was very sobered by the Libya experience," Ford said. "She absolutely understood, back in 2012, the need for a more muscular approach (in Syria). I never ever heard her say we need to send in the U.S. military," he added. "But she thought there were people on the ground who we could help."

When it came time for action in Syria, Obama opted to help moderate rebel forces and, a year later, launched airstrikes to target the Islamic State group. Obama and Secretary of State John Kerry have also supported a military partnership with Russia to limit a U.S. expansionary role in Syria for years to come.

Trump does not often address the Syria conflict, but he's repeatedly blamed the Obama administration for the rise of the Islamic State group, which in 2014 took over a third of Syria and Iraq, though much of that territory has since been re-claimed. This month, he accused Obama of being the "founder of ISIS," adding, "I would say the co-founder would be crooked Hillary Clinton."

Trump has said that he doesn't think Assad is the biggest problem in Syria, and has called for the establishment of safe zones inside Syria for refugees so they don't have to flee the country.

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Outside observers caution against expecting too much in Clinton's ability to turn this conflict around, saying that any future action is too little, too late.

Joe Macaron, a policy analyst at Arab Center Washington DC, warns that "the Syrian opposition's bet on a Hillary presidency might be a rerun of weighing its options in 2011 and 2012 on the expectation of a U.S. intervention under Obama."

Lightning strike kills more than 300 reindeer in Norway

STOCKHOLM (AP) — More than 300 wild reindeer have been killed by lightning in central Norway in what wildlife officials are calling an unusually large natural disaster.

The Norwegian Environment Agency has released eerie images showing a jumble of reindeer carcasses scattered across a small area on the Hardangervidda mountain plateau. The agency says 323 animals were killed, including 70 calves, in the lightning storm Friday.

Agency spokesman Kjartan Knutsen told the AP it's not uncommon for reindeer or other wildlife to be killed by lightning strikes, "but we have not heard about such numbers before."

He said reindeer tend to stay very close to each other in bad weather, which could explain how so many were killed at once.

Thousands of reindeer migrate across the barren Hardangervidda plateau as the seasons change.

Kerry urges Bangladesh to step up efforts against terrorism

MATTHEW LEE, AP Diplomatic Writer

DHAKA, Bangladesh (AP) — U.S. Secretary of State John Kerry called Monday for Bangladesh to step up efforts to fight extremist violence and protect and promote human rights amid increasing concern about terrorism in the South Asian nation in the wake of a series of militant attacks.

Kerry, on his first trip to Bangladesh as America's top diplomat, met in Dhaka on Monday with Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina and Foreign Minister Abdul Hassam Mahmood Ali, opposition officials and students. Bangladesh is struggling to deal with the rash of attacks, the most recent of which killed 20 people, including 17 foreigners, at a popular restaurant last month in Dhaka, the capital.

The Islamic State group has claimed responsibility for the attack, but Bangladeshi authorities maintain that IS has no presence in the country and that a local banned group, Jumatul Mujahedeen Bangladesh, or JMB, was behind it. Some have accused Bangladesh of turning a blind eye to the possibility of outsiders radicalizing elements of the Muslim-majority nation.

Kerry rejected that criticism, saying he does not believe that "the government of a Bangladesh has its head in the sand."

But, he spoke pointedly of the transnational threat posed by terrorism. The July 1 attack on Dhaka's Holey Artisan Bakery "was an outrage clearly designed to divide Bangladesh, designed to try to cut off this welcoming society from the outside world," Kerry said.

"These heinous acts of violence - and too many others worldwide - are a stark, painful reminder that those who aid terrorist groups or perpetrate these acts have no respect for national boundaries, no concern for the rights of others, no regard for the rule of law," he said. Kerry said a longstanding counterterrorism dialogue has intensified in recent months and work with the Bangladeshi police and military will continue with an eye toward further cooperation.

On Saturday, police said they had killed three suspected militants, including an alleged mastermind of the cafe attack. But many of the perpetrators of a string of attacks over the past two years that have killed atheist bloggers, foreign aid workers and religious minorities remain at large.

Kerry urged the government of Bangladesh to resist the temptation to shut down public debate or

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stifle opposition groups as a way to combat the threat.

"Democracy," he said, "still provides the most resilient and reliable platform we have for preventing and responding to violent extremism ... to defeat terrorists, we must uphold, not betray, the democratic principles we cherish and they abhor."

Kerry also spoke of the need for authorities to protect the rights and safety of its workers, particularly those in the garment industry that earns the country more than \$20 billion a year from exports, mainly to the United States and Europe and employs about 4 million workers, mostly women, in 4,000 factories.

"Bangladesh cannot truly meet the aspirations of its people and share prosperity if its workers are not safe and their rights are not ensured," he said, referring to the 2013 collapse of a building that housed five garment factories and killed more than 1,100 people in the country's worst industrial disaster.

After his brief stop in Bangladesh, Kerry travels to India later Monday for the seventh meeting of the U.S.-India strategic dialogue, which seeks to improve security and well as economic and development ties between the nations.

This year's discussions are taking place as tensions rise in the disputed region of Kashmir, scene of some of the largest protests against Indian rule in recent years. Since early July, at least 67 civilians have been killed and thousands injured, mostly by government forces firing bullets and shotguns at rock-throwing protesters. Two policemen have been killed and hundreds of government forces have been injured in the clashes. On Monday, Indian authorities lifted a curfew in most parts of Indian-controlled Kashmir as part of a 52-day security lockdown but tensions persist.

10 Things to Know for Monday The Associated Press

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

1. PANIC AT LA AIRPORT

Roads and terminals were reopening after but travel delays ensued, after reports of a gunman opening fire that turned out to be false caused the panicked evacuation of hundreds of people.

2. WHO TURNED HEADS AT MTV'S VMA AWARDS

Beyonce proves once again she is the star who shines brightest, and uses the MTV Video Music Awards to showcase her skills and upstage her peers, from Rihanna to Britney Spears.

3. WHAT TRUMP COULD SAY ABOUT IMMIGRATION

It's anyone's guess what the Republican nominee might mention in a speech on illegal immigration on Wednesday in Arizona, after days of wavering on he would use a "deportation force" to eject all 11 million or so people in the U.S. illegally.

4. WHY CLINTON ISN'T TALKING ABOUT SYRIA

The Democratic nominee didn't mention the war-ravaged nation at her political convention and has tap-danced around the issue. Her views might not be in line with that of her former boss, President Barack Obama.

5. WHERE A PURGE HAS ENSNARED 20,000 PUBLIC SCHOOL TEACHERS

In Turkey, where a high school sports teacher and a counselor are trying to understand how they got caught in a dragnet designed to root out followers of a U.S.-based Muslim cleric who Ankara blames for a failed coup attempt last month.

5. PHILIPPINE PRESIDENT SAYS HE'LL GO TO JAIL TO DEFEND DRUG WAR

Rodrigo Duterte says his bloody anti-drug campaign that has left nearly 1,800 people dead does not

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amount to genocide, as human rights groups express alarm over the killings.

6. CEASE-FIRE TAKES EFFECT IN COLOMBIA

Just after midnight, according to the commander of the Revolutionary Armed Forces of Colombia, a permanent cease-fire was ending 52 years of bloody combat between the government and the country's biggest rebel group.

7. A NEW SPECTACLE BEGINS IN BRAZIL

Suspended President Dilma Rousseff faces her accusers in the Senate, a showdown sure to be filled with heated rhetoric.

8. A SMALL STEP THAT COULD BE A GIANT LEAP TOWARD MARS

Six scientists emerge from a yearlong simulation of the Red Planet in Hawaii, where they lived in a dome in near isolation.

9. A MEXICAN MUSICAL SUPERSTAR DIES

Juan Gabriel, a songwriter and singer who was an icon in the Latin music world, passed away at his home in California at age 66.

10. A MAJOR MOMENT IN TENNIS

As the U.S. Open begins, all eyes on are defending champion Novak Djokovic and Rafael Nadal, two long dominant players who are trying to rebound from injuries.

Mylan launching generic version of EpiPen

NEW YORK (AP) — Mylan says it will make available a generic version of its EpiPen, as criticism continued to mount over the price of its injectable medicine.

The company said Monday that its U.S. subsidiary will put out a generic version of the EpiPen that will have a list price of \$300 for a two-pack. It will be available in both 0.15 mg and 0.30 mg strengths.

Myland N.V. said that it anticipates having the generic versions available in the next several weeks. It will continue to market and distribute branded EpiPen.

The company charges \$608 for a two-pack of the branded EpiPen. Mylan said it will keep in place the \$300 savings card for the branded EpiPen and the revised patient assistance program announced last week.

Clinton proposes plan to address mental health treatment

KEN THOMAS, Associated Press

SOUTHAMPTON, N.Y. (AP) — Hillary Clinton is rolling out a comprehensive plan to address millions of Americans coping with mental illness, pointing to the need to fully integrate mental health services into the nation's health care system.

Clinton's campaign released a multi-pronged approach to mental health care on Monday, aimed at ensuring that Americans would no longer separate mental health from physical health in terms of access, care and quality of treatment.

The Democratic presidential nominee's agenda would focus on early diagnosis and intervention and create a national initiative for suicide prevention. If elected, Clinton would hold a White House conference on mental health within her first year in office.

Clinton's proposal would also aim to enforce mental health parity laws and provide training to law enforcement officers to deal with people grappling with mental health problems while prioritizing treatment over jail for low-level offenders.

"Building on her longstanding commitment to health care for all, Hillary believes everyone should be able to access quality mental health care — without shame, stigma or barriers," said Maya Harris, a

senior policy adviser to Clinton's campaign, in a statement.

The former secretary of state planned to hold a town hall meeting by telephone with stakeholders on Monday during a three-day fundraising spree in the Hamptons. The policy rollout would overlap with a Clinton plan to address drug and alcohol addiction which she campaigned on in Iowa and New Hampshire after hearing frequently about the problems from voters.

The federal government estimated in 2014 that about 43.6 million adults in the U.S. had mental illness in the past year, or about 1 in 5 adults age 18 and over. It estimated nearly 10 million adults suffered from serious mental illness.

An estimated 17 million children in the U.S. experience mental health problems, including 1 in 5 college students, according to the National Alliance on Mental Illness. Nearly 1 in 5 veterans returning from the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan experienced post-traumatic stress or depression.

Clinton's campaign said the plan would attempt to integrate the nation's health care system to create a more seamless way of providing both medical and mental health treatment to patients.

It would expand the reimbursement systems for collaborative care models under Medicare and Medicaid that aim to treat patients through a team of health care professionals, including a primary care doctor, a care manager and a behavioral health specialist.

It would also be helped by a Clinton proposal to boost funding for community health centers that she announced earlier in the summer along with Vermont Sen. Bernie Sanders, her primary rival.

Money for the centers, a priority for Sanders, was increased under the Affordable Care Act. Clinton's plan would make the money for the centers permanent and expand it by \$40 billion over the next decade.

False report of gunman at Los Angeles airport causes panic

ANDREW DALTON, Associated Press

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Reports of a gunman opening fire that turned out to be false caused panicked evacuations at Los Angeles International Airport on Sunday night, while flights to and from the airport saw major delays.

A search through terminals brought no evidence of a gunman or shots fired, Los Angeles police spokesman Andy Neiman said. The reports were spurred by loud noises only, and police were still investigating to find the source of them, Neiman said.

Airport officials said that a person wearing a Zorro costume was detained during the incident, but it wasn't yet clear whether the person had any connection to the evacuation.

The incident stirred chaos as hundreds of people rushed from terminals on to sidewalks or the tarmac. And it left a mess with three terminals shut down, roads closed and flights held in the air and on the ground.

All terminals and roads into the airport had been reopened by 11 p.m. PDT, about two hours after the initial reports, officials said. But massive backup faced travelers in their cars and in security lines. Passengers who fled had to be rescreened through security.

When the incident began, scores of people could be seen on social media and on TV news running from the terminal out on to the sidewalks and streets as police with rifles out stormed terminals. Many other evacuees were standing on the airport tarmac, and abandoned bags littered some sidewalks.

"We were on the jetway and someone starts pushing behind us," Jon Landis, a sales representative from Boston who was boarding a flight home, told The Associated Press. "One man was frantic saying there was a shooter."

Police officers, including one with a shotgun, eventually led passengers out of the terminal, through a

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security gate, and into a parking lot — where several hundred waited for the terminal to reopen. Ninety minutes after the scare, Landis said he was still waiting for word on his flight.

Passenger Scott McDonald said he was getting off a plane in the middle of the incident and was told by the crew to get back on. He said looking out the window he could see many evacuees gathered out on the tarmac, a strange sight even for someone who travels almost constantly.

"I've never seen passengers, just normal people, on the tarmac anywhere in the United States," McDonald told KCAL-TV.

Douglas Lee, who was traveling home to Albuquerque with his wife and son, said the greatest danger was being trampled.

"You can imagine hundreds of adults trying to go through an exit door," he explained. At one point, he said he picked up his young son left their luggage.

Corey Rosenbusch was relaxing inside a terminal club on a layover flight from his home in Washington, D.C., to Sydney, Australia, when the lights went off and the staff told everyone to shelter in place.

"People immediately started looking at social media, where they saw reports that there was an active shooter," Rosenbusch told the AP.

He said several officers, including some with assault rifles, led the group out of the area.

The incident came just days after another false alarm led to a panicked evacuation of Kennedy Airport in New York.

In that incident, police were investigating whether an overly boisterous celebration of the Olympics on Aug. 14 led to noises that were misinterpreted as gunfire, with the ensuing chain reaction turning into a panic as crowds ran to evacuate.

The Los Angeles airport had an actual shooting in November 2013, when a man opened fire in the terminal, killing a security agent and wounding three other people.

Iran deploys S-300 air defense around nuclear site

TEHRAN, Iran (AP) — Iran has begun deploying a Russian-made S-300 air defense system around its underground Fordo nuclear facility, state TV reported.

Video footage posted late Sunday on state TV's website showed trucks arriving at the site and missile launchers being aimed skyward. It did not say whether the system was fully operational.

The large, underground facility is located in some 100 kilometers (60 miles) south of the capital, Tehran.

Russia began delivering the S-300 system to Iran earlier this year under a contract signed in 2007. The delivery had been held up by international sanctions over Iran's nuclear program, which were lifted this year under an agreement with world powers.

"S-300 air defense system is a defensive instrument, not offensive," Iran's Supreme Leader Ayatollah Ali Khamenei said earlier on Sunday. "But the Americans applied all their efforts for Iran not to have it."

The Fordo site, built at a depth of 90 meters (300 feet) below a mountain, was revealed by Western nations in 2009.

Critics of Iran's nuclear program pointed to Fordo as further proof of Tehran's intention to secretly develop nuclear weapons. Iran insists it has never sought nuclear arms, and says the security around the site is intended to protect it from U.S. or Israeli airstrikes. Neither country has ruled out a military strike on Iran's nuclear facilities.

Iran halted nuclear enrichment at Fordo under the landmark nuclear agreement and says the facility is now being used for research and the production of medical isotopes.

On Monday Iran inaugurated a new radar system it says is capable of detecting radar-evading aircraft

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like the U.S.-made U-2, RQ-4 and MQ-1, state TV reported. It said the Nazir system is located in “the heart of desert” of Iran and is capable of detecting ballistic and cruise missiles, as well as drones flying at an altitude of over 3,000 meters (9,800 feet).

Quotations in the News The Associated Press

“She’s one of my best friends in the world. All of my adult life I’ve looked up to her even though she’s younger than me.” -R&B artist Drake, who presented the Michael Jackson Video Vanguard award to Rihanna at the 2016 VMAs.

“People immediately started looking at social media, where they saw reports that there was an active shooter.” -Corey Rosenbusch, a flight passenger at Los Angeles International Airport during a layover, after false reports of a gunman at the airport that caused a panicked evacuation.

“Hook it up to a smartphone. Boom. Take off and you’re in business.” -Ian Smith of DroneDeploy, a San Francisco-based industry leader in drone software development, on drones used for irrigation systems to help farmers save money on water usage.

Trump plans detailed immigration talk as questions remain

LAURIE KELLMAN, Associated Press

WASHINGTON (AP) — Donald Trump says he’ll deliver a detailed speech on his proposal to crack down on illegal immigration on Wednesday in Arizona — but it’s anyone’s guess what he might say.

The announcement came late Sunday in a tweet by the GOP presidential nominee after days of wavering — and at least one canceled speech — on a question central to his campaign: Whether he would, as he said in November, use a “deportation force” to eject the estimated 11 million people in the U.S. illegally. On Sunday, led by vice presidential running mate Mike Pence, Trump’s surrogates fanned out across the televised talk shows to reiterate other parts of his proposal but none could answer that question. And they wouldn’t say whether it was worrisome that such a consequential proposal remained unclear so close to the Nov. 8 election.

In one case, the chairman of the Republican National Committee refused to speak for the GOP nominee at all.

“I just don’t speak for Donald Trump,” Reince Priebus said Sunday.

It was a striking look at Trump’s leadership of a team he had said would help drive him to victory against Democrat Hillary Clinton.

The very purpose of surrogates is to speak for and back up their presidential nominee. But Trump’s stand-ins struggled to do so even as they stayed tightly together on the details they know: Trump will issue more details on the immigration plan soon, the policy will be humane, and despite his clear wavering, he’s been “consistent” on the issue. Any discussion of inconsistencies or potentially non-presidential tweeting, Pence and others suggested, reflected media focus on the wrong issue.

Trump’s tweet Sunday suggested he was poised to clear up those questions.

Trump’s campaign also announced on Sunday a \$10 million-plus buy for ads to air in nine competitive states starting Monday. And late Sunday, the nation’s only African-American owned and operated national Christian television network announced that its president and CEO, Bishop Wayne T. Jackson, would interview the Republican nominee in Detroit on Sept. 3.

It’s been a long and sometimes puzzling journey to this point for the GOP nominee, who defeated 16 Republican opponents while promising to be the toughest on illegal immigration. Trump even ques-

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tioned whether people born in the United States to people here illegally are citizens — even though they have automatically been considered citizens since the adoption of the 14th Amendment in 1868.

But lately, he's been exploring the issue's complexities in public.

On Fox News Channel's "Hannity" show, he discussed how hard it is to break up families. He suggested that maybe people who've been in this country for years should be allowed to stay if they pay back taxes. He insisted that such a plan would not amount to the "amnesty" that's anathema to many core supporters of the Republican Party.

Trump in recent days has suggested he might be "softening" on the deportation force and that he might be open to allowing at least some immigrants in the country illegally to stay, as long as they pay taxes.

But by Thursday, he was ruling out any kind of legal status — "unless they leave the country and come back," he told CNN.

Trump has focused lately on deporting people who are in the U.S. illegally and who have committed crimes. But who Trump considers a criminal remained unclear Sunday.

"Those are the things that Donald Trump is going to answer. And this is not a simple question," said Priebus, who's had a difficult relationship with Trump.

The speech has been rescheduled at least once. Trump's campaign had scheduled it for last Thursday, then canceled it. The campaign also blamed staff error for reports that it had been scheduled for August 31 in Phoenix. But Trump's tweet late Sunday made clear that the event is back on.

But it's far from clear what he'll say, apparently even to his top supporters.

Asked whether the "deportation force" proposal Trump laid out in November is still in place, Pence replied: "Well, what you heard him describe there, in his usual plainspoken, American way, was a mechanism, not a policy."

Added Trump's campaign manager, Kellyanne Conway: "The softening is more approach than policy," adding that on immigration, Trump "wants to find a fair and humane way."

Pence, Conway and other surrogates said the main tenets of Trump's immigration plan still will include building a wall along the southern U.S. border and making Mexico pay for it, no path to legalization or citizenship for people here illegally and stronger border enforcement. Pence also did not answer whether the campaign believes, as Trump has said, that children born to people who are in the U.S. illegally are not U.S. citizens. That, he said, "is a subject for the future."

Pence appeared on CNN's "State of the Union," Priebus was on NBC's "Meet the Press," and Conway was on "Fox News Sunday" and CBS' "Face the Nation."

WHY IT MATTERS: Climate Change

SETH BORENSTEIN, AP Science Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — THE ISSUE: It's as if Hillary Clinton and Donald Trump live on two entirely different Earths: one warming, one not.

Clinton says climate change "threatens us all," while Trump tweets that global warming is "mythical" and repeatedly refers to it as a "hoax." Measurements and scientists say Clinton's Earth is much closer to reality.

As heat-trapping gases in the air intensify and hot temperature records shatter, global warming is taking a toll on Americans' everyday life: their gardens, air, water, seasons, insurance rates and more.

WHERE THEY STAND

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Trump calls attempts to remedy global warming "just a very, very expensive form of tax." He tells coal miners he'll get their jobs back. Solar power now employs four times more people than coal mining.

Clinton proposes to spend \$60 billion to switch from dirty fossil fuels to cleaner energy. She says clean energy is needed, otherwise it would "force our children to endure the catastrophe that would result from unchecked climate change." She promises to deliver on the President Barack Obama's pledge that by 2025, the U.S. will be emitting 30 percent less heat-trapping gases than in 2005.

WHY IT MATTERS

Dozens of measurements show Earth is warming. And it's worsening. The overwhelming majority of climate scientists and nearly every professional organization of scientists have said climate change is real, man-made and a problem.

The last 15 months in a row have set records globally for heat, according to the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration. The world is on pace to break the record for hottest year, a record broken in 2010, 2014 and 2015. The five hottest years recorded have all been from 2005 on and it is about 1.8 degrees warmer than a century ago.

But it's more than temperatures. Arctic sea ice keeps flirting with record low amounts. Hot water has been killing coral as never before seen. Scientists have connected man-made climate change to extreme weather, including deadly heat waves, droughts and flood-inducing downpours. They even have connected it as one of several factors in the Syrian drought and civil war that led to a massive refugee crisis.

Climate change is causing the seas to rise, which threatens coastlines. Sea level has risen a foot in the waters around New York City in the past century, worsening flooding from Superstorm Sandy.

And it is making people sicker with worsened allergies and asthma, heat deaths, diseases spread by ticks and mosquitoes, dirtier air and more contaminated water and food, a federal report said in April.

Changing the world's economy from burning fossil fuel, which causes global warming, has a huge pricetag. So does not doing anything. The world's average income will shrivel 23 percent by the year 2100 if carbon dioxide pollution continues at the current pace, according to a 2015 study out of Stanford and the University of California Berkeley.

Just the Obama administration's efforts to cut carbon pollution from 1,000 power plants projects to cost about \$8 billion a year, but save several times more than in reduced health problems.

The world's largest general scientific society warns of "abrupt, unpredictable, and potentially irreversible changes with highly damaging impacts."

It may seem improbable that government action can restore balance to something as vast as the climate. But presidents Ronald Reagan and George H.W. Bush showed that big things can be done about air pollution. They took steps that reduced ozone depletion and acid rain.

Prosecutors: Brussels attack was probably arson, not a bomb

LORNE COOK, Associated Press

BRUSSELS (AP) — Reports of a bomb outside Belgium's criminal institute early Monday are probably false, the Brussels prosecutor's office said, describing the incident as much more likely an arson attack designed to destroy criminal evidence.

"It's probably not terrorism. It's a criminal act," said spokeswoman Ine Van Wymersch. "I cannot confirm that there was any bomb."

State broadcaster RTBF and other outlets had reported that a car drove through a security barrier

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at the site about 2 a.m. (0000 GMT), followed by an explosion that caused significant damage to the facility on Brussels' north side. Nobody was injured.

The crime lab assists and advises Belgium's justice authorities in carrying out their investigations.

Investigators said the suspected arsonists set fire to a laboratory used to analyze DNA samples found at crime scenes.

"So it's an act that could be linked to (destroying) several files," Van Wymersch said.

She said any explosion heard by residents may have been caused by material being consumed in the fire.

Belgium has been on high alert since coordinated March 22 suicide bomb attacks on the Brussels airport and subway killed 32 people.

Belgium's police and army have been deployed in large numbers since the suicide bomb attacks in Paris last November that left 130 dead.

Tensions have been running high in Belgium in recent weeks amid a series of criminal knife and shooting attacks and two hoax anthrax attacks. These triggered spikes in security but were deemed unrelated to terrorism.

Released tape rekindles memory of 1988 Iran mass execution

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DUBAI, United Arab Emirates (AP) — The scratchy, echo-filled tape recording carries the voice of a man who once was in line to become Iran's supreme leader, talking about one of the darkest moments of the country's post-revolution history still not recognized by its government.

The recording has Grand Ayatollah Hossein Ali Montazeri condemning Iran's execution of thousands of prisoners at the end of the country's bloody war with Iraq in 1988. He warns those gathered they've committed "the biggest crime in the history of the Islamic Republic," while criticizing them for misleading the country's then-ailing supreme leader, Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini.

The criticisms by Montazeri, who lived for years under house arrest and died of natural causes after Iran's disputed 2009 presidential election, long ago surfaced in his own memoirs and writings. But the furor ignited by the release of the tapes by his family this month expose the lingering, unhealed wounds of the chaotic years that followed Iran's 1979 Islamic Revolution, as well as politics now at play in the greater Middle East.

"All advice and criticism from my father was for saving the ruling system — which he had paid so much for," his son, Ahmad Montazeri, recently wrote online.

In 1985, Montazeri was selected as Khomeini's successor. But Montazeri's calls for the loosening of clerical control in Iran drew the ire of hard-liners -- and then came the executions.

They happened at the end of Iran's long war with Iraq, which began when Saddam Hussein invaded in 1980. By 1988, 1 million people had been killed in a conflict that featured trench warfare, Iranian human-wave attacks and chemical weapons assaults launched by Iraq.

In July 1988, Khomeini accepted a U.N.-brokered cease-fire, calling it "more deadly to me than poison." But within days, members of the Iranian opposition group Mujahedeen-e-Khalq, heavily armed by Saddam, stormed across the Iranian border in a surprise attack.

Iran ultimately blunted their assault, but the attack set the stage for the sham retrials of political prisoners, militants and others that would become known as "death commissions." Some who appeared were asked to identify themselves. Those who responded "mujahedeen" were sent to their deaths, while others were questioned about their willingness to "clear minefields for the army of the Islamic Republic," according to a 1990 Amnesty International report .

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International rights groups estimate that as many as 5,000 people were executed, while the MEK puts the number at 30,000. Iran has never fully acknowledged the executions, apparently carried out on Khomeini's orders, though some argue that other top officials were effectively in charge in the months before his 1989 death.

This month, a website run in Montazeri's honor by his family released the audio. In it, the ayatollah apparently addresses prosecutors, a judge and an intelligence official over the executions, warning they will tarnish Khomeini's image.

"I believe that the biggest crime in the history of the Islamic Republic, which will be condemned by history, happened by your hands," Montazeri says.

He goes on to say that "fighting against ideology with killing is totally wrong." He mentions the death of his son, Mohammad, in the 1981 bombing of the Islamic Republican Party's headquarters in Tehran, which killed at least 72 people. Iran blamed the attack on the MEK, and the U.S. State Department also has said the group was responsible for it.

"I got hurt more than anybody from them; they killed my son," Montazeri says.

Shortly after the audio's release, the website took it down. By that point, however, the clip had circulated online as Farsi-language media began reporting on it, sparking criticism of Montazeri's family for releasing it.

"My motivation for publishing this file, as I said for several times to many media, was to defend the truth and innocence of Ayatollah Montazeri," his son, Ahmad, recently wrote.

The audio now has found its way into the wider conflict between Shiite power Iran and Sunni-ruled Saudi Arabia. Relations between the two nations soured in January after the kingdom executed a prominent Shiite cleric and angry demonstrators in Iran responded by attacking two Saudi diplomatic posts.

Saudi Arabia severed diplomatic ties with Iran over the attacks, though relations already were strained by the countries supporting opposing sides in Syria's long war and the conflict in Yemen.

In the time since, state television in Saudi Arabia, which is among the world's top executioners, repeatedly has aired a program about the 1988 executions in Iran, complete with a graphic of a figure hanging from the Iranian flag. It's also aired video of Maryam Rajavi, the leader of the MEK's political arm, throwing flower petals at pictures of those killed in the 1988 executions at an exhibition in Paris.

Prince Turki al-Faisal, Saudi Arabia's former intelligence chief, appeared in July at a conference in Paris by the National Council of Resistance of Iran, the political affiliate of the MEK, which Rajavi leads. Al-Faisal's involvement at the lavish ceremony brought a swift rebuke from Iran and raised questions about Saudi Arabia's possible support of the group, which was listed as a terrorist organization by the State Department for years over its killing of Americans.

The MEK says it renounced violence in 2001. The State Department removed the group from its list of terrorist organizations in 2012.

Asked about Saudi Arabia's interest, the MEK said in a statement it "has not received financial help from the Saudi government or from any other government." But it added that the real war gripping the Mideast is "between the religious fascism ruling Iran on the one hand and the people of Iran and countries in the region on the other."

Suspended Turkish teachers caught up in post-coup crackdown

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ISTANBUL (AP) — It was a notice received by tens of thousands of professionals in the aftermath of Turkey's failed coup, and one that profoundly shocked Uygur Ozdemir.

The 36-year-old high school sports teacher had been suspended from his job in an Istanbul school, accused of providing financial support for a terrorist organization and promoting the organization on social media.

Ozdemir returned to Istanbul from vacation and began trying to unravel how he got caught up in one of the biggest dragnets in modern Turkish history — one designed to root out followers of a reclusive Islamic cleric who the government says was behind the July 15 coup attempt that left more than 270 people dead.

"In the beginning I was very surprised. I thought, 'How can it be possible?' I couldn't believe that I was associated with an organization, religious or terrorist, which I never had a link to in my life," said a shaken Ozdemir, noting he had never even been to a mosque as an adult, much less followed a secretive religious cleric.

"It is a very tragic incident for me," he said.

He wasn't alone.

Hundreds of kilometers (miles) to the south in Turkey's coastal town of Izmir, 37-year-old high school counselor Seyda Kara was among those receiving a similar notice. The official suspension letter fell from her hands when she opened it, such was her shock.

More than 20,000 teachers have been suspended from public schools, while thousands of private school teachers have lost their jobs.

Both Kara and Ozdemir insist they have nothing to do with cleric Fethullah Gulen, who lives in self-imposed exile in the United States and whose movement runs charities, schools and businesses worldwide. Turkey has designated Gulen's movement a terrorist organization.

Turkey's failed coup by rebel military officers was swift and forceful. In the space of a few hours, fighter jets overflew Ankara and Istanbul, rattling windows with sonic booms while helicopters strafed buildings and tanks rolled down city streets. It was ultimately defeated by people heeding a call from President Recep Tayyip Erdogan to take to the streets in defiance.

The government's ensuing crackdown was no less swift. A state of emergency was declared. More than 40,000 people have been detained and nearly 85,000 suspended or dismissed from a broad range of public sector jobs, from schoolteachers and doctors to airline staff, diplomats, judges, journalists and artists. More than 4,200 institutions have been closed or seized, including schools.

Erdogan says the purges are essential to rid the Turkish state of Gulen's followers. Gulen himself has condemned the coup and denies any involvement.

The government has vowed to continue the crackdown. On Wednesday, it decided provisionally to release 38,000 prisoners in an apparent attempt to make room for thousands arrested in the coup investigation.

Some say that the government's response is understandable to a degree.

There is a "broad consensus" in Turkey that Gulen followers played an important role in the coup attempt, said Fadi Hakura, associate fellow in the London-based Chatham House think tank. The movement's primary activity in Turkey was in education, so the government was "right to conclude that at least a sizeable segment of the Turkish education system was infiltrated," he said.

"The Turkish government has some legitimacy to pursue Gulenist supporters within the state administration in general and the education field in particular," Hakura said. "However, the government needs

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to be very, very careful that this cleansing operation, as it calls it, does not encompass ... many innocent individuals who are completely unconnected to the Gulen movement and whose reputations and professional careers have been severely damaged by the government's post-coup crackdown."

Ozdemir and Kara insist that is exactly what happened to them.

Kara said she knew that the state of emergency would have a wide impact on society, "but I never thought I would be affected personally."

Turkey's wide-ranging crackdown has spurred several European allies and rights organizations to urge restraint. Erdogan has been defiant, criticizing Europe for not showing enough support, blasting the United States for not quickly extraditing Gulen, and vowing to continue the purges.

Ozkan Yucel, Kara's lawyer, fears that the law is being sidelined in the name of rooting out coup plotters, bundling the innocent in with the guilty.

"The rule of law has been put on the shelf to a great extent," he said. "For a second one can think: The country is going through an extraordinary situation, therefore some measures are needed. But whether those measures are proportionate or realistic is questionable."

Hakura said many were concerned that "the Turkish state's ability to provide adequate education services will be diminished for generations to come."

For Kara and Ozdemir, the consequences have been devastating. Although they haven't been fired, they face investigations to determine whether they will be reinstated or sacked. Under the state of emergency, those dismissed can't appeal, and can never work in the public sector again.

Kara knows of no reason for being on the purge list, beyond possibly as a case of mistaken identity. The only explanation Ozdemir can contemplate was his use of a bank connected to the Gulen movement — an account he opened for convenience, he said, because a branch near his home offered interest-free banking.

Other suspended teachers use the same bank — one which, he noted, officially sponsored Turkey's soccer federation until recently. The bank has been shut down since the coup attempt.

"My colleagues, including me, have not (opened an account) to support a group, a congregation or a terrorist organization. We opened an account in a bank for reasons related to daily life," he said.

Being appointed to a state school was a long-term dream and it took Ozdemir a decade to get there. He had worked in construction, a patisserie, a computer company and selling books before his 2012 teaching appointment.

His colleagues have started a petition for his reinstatement and former and current students are conducting a social media campaign. But the process is lengthy. His teachers' union has appealed to the education ministry on behalf of more than 130 members but was told no deadline for a decision could be given because so many cases were pending.

For Ozdemir, the uncertainty is devastating.

"It created the feeling in me that I will lose everything in my life," he said.

Beyonce proves she's in a lane of her own at MTV VMAs

MESFIN FEKADU, AP Music Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — Beyonce proved once again she is the contemporary rock star, and she used the MTV Video Music Awards stage to showcase her skills and outshine her peers, from Rihanna to Britney Spears.

Beyonce won eight awards, including video of the year, and performed five songs from her visual album "Lemonade" in an epic 16-minute concert Sunday that had the audience at Madison Square Garden in awe.

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She sang live, danced heavily and worked the crowd as she ran through "Pray You Catch Me," "Hold Up," "Sorry," "Don't Hurt Yourself" and "Formation," which won the top prize over Adele, Drake, Justin Bieber and Kanye West.

"First of all, I'd like to thank my beautiful daughter and my incredible husband for all of their support," said Beyonce, who walked the carpet with daughter Blue Ivy and the mothers of Trayvon Martin, Michael Brown and Eric Garner — who all appeared in "Lemonade" movie.

It was reminiscent of the 2014 VMAs, when Beyonce also performed for 16 minutes and accepted the Michael Jackson Video Vanguard award. This year it was awarded to Rihanna, who split up her performances throughout the night, singing hits such as "Work," "We Found Love" and "Love on the Brain."

But the biggest moment for Rihanna came when Drake — in a tuxedo — presented the award to his former girlfriend. He said he met Rihanna in 2005 on the set of her first music video for "Pon de Replay."

"She's someone I've been in love with her since I was 22 years old," Drake said as Rihanna blushed and the audience cheered loudly. "She's one of my best friends in the world. All of my adult life I've looked up to her even though she's younger than me."

Rihanna, 28, thanked her family, friends and hometown of Saint Michael, Barbados, for helping her succeed in her 11-year-career.

"My success started as my dream, but now my success is not my own. It's my family, my fans, my country ...it's women, it's black women," she said.

Beyonce's top-notch performance starkly contrasted with that of Spears, who returned to the VMA stage after 10 years. Not only did she lip sync, in typical fashion, but she did so badly. Spears performed her hit "Make Me..." and danced slickly, but she didn't actually sing a word of the song live. She was joined by rapper G-Eazy — and she lip synched the hook to his hit song, "Me, Myself and I."

In true Kanye fashion, the rapper ranted onstage, touching on subjects from music to his beef with Taylor Swift to violence in his hometown Chicago before he debuted his music video for "Fade," which starred Teyana Taylor. He talked about his "Famous" video, which features what appear to be naked images of himself, his wife Kim Kardashian, Swift, Donald Trump and others. He even pointed to former girlfriend Amber Rose, who was in the audience and is also in the video.

Drake won best hip hop video for "Hotline Bling" and Calvin Harris won best male video for "This is What You Came For." David Bowie — who died from cancer earlier this year — received four nominations for "Lazarus" and won best art direction. The music video, which shows him looking frail in bed with bandaged eyes, was released just days before the icon's Jan. 10 death.

Performers included Nick Jonas, The Chainsmokers, Ty Dolla \$ign and Ariana Grande, who brought spin class to the VMA stage when she sang the reggae-tinged "Side to Side" with Nicki Minaj.

In one of several odes to the recent Olympic Games, Michael Phelps said he's been inspired by hip-hop music before introducing Future, who Phelps said he listened to before swimming and making the grimace that went viral. The rapper-singer-producer performed his hit "(Expletive) Up Some Commas."

Jimmy Fallon, who presented video of the year, dressed as Ryan Lochte and even sported the platinum blonde hair. As Lochte — who is dealing with trouble after filing a false robbery report over an incident during the Rio Olympics — Fallon lied onstage about writing Justin Bieber's "Sorry" and directing the clips nominated for video of the year.

Other presenters include Alicia Keys, Puff Daddy and four of the Final Five gymnasts (Gabby Douglas was hospitalized for a mouth infection).

Adele was behind Beyonce with eight nominations, but the British singer did not attend the show and did not win any Moon Men. Beyonce's wins included best female video, pop video, breakthrough long-form video, choreography, direction, cinematography and editing.

GOP presidential nominee Trump plans major ad buy Monday

JILL COLVIN, Associated Press

WASHINGTON (AP) — Donald Trump's campaign is planning its biggest ad buy to date — upward of \$10 million on commercials airing over the next week or so.

The campaign is expects the ads to air as soon as Monday in nine swing states: Ohio, Pennsylvania, North Carolina and Florida, where the campaign has already been on the air, along with New Hampshire, Virginia, Iowa, Colorado and Nevada. 2012 Republican nominee Mitt Romney lost eight of those nine states.

Trump, the Republican presidential nominee, has so far been badly outspent by his Democratic rival, Hillary Clinton, and groups supporting her. Since clinching her party's nomination in early June, Clinton has spent more than \$77 million on television and radio advertising, largely targeting voters in battleground states, according to Kantar Media's political ad tracker.

Trump finally hit the airwaves earlier this month with an ad focused on immigration, and so far has only spent about \$5 million.

The new investment comes amid signs that Trump's lagging poll numbers may be improving against Clinton's following a campaign reboot.

Trump senior communications adviser Jason Miller said in a statement that the billionaire businessman's "positive message of economic opportunity is working and we see the national and battleground state polls all moving in the right direction."

"With Hillary Clinton off the campaign trail yet again this week and continuing to take many communities' votes for granted, we see this as the right time to show voters the benefits of an American economy under the leadership of Mr. Trump," he added.

Clinton will be spending much of the week in private fundraisers in the Hamptons, the wealthy enclaves of eastern Long Island, New York.

Trump is also expected to unveil on Monday his second ad of the general election. It will focus on his economic message, contrasting his approach with Clinton's.

Brazil's Rousseff to address Senate in trial over her future

MAURICIO SAVARESE, Associated Press

BRASILIA, Brazil (AP) — Fighting to save her job, suspended President Dilma Rousseff addresses the Senate on Monday in a showdown pitting accusations that she hurt Brazil's economy with budget manipulations against her argument that she did nothing wrong and is being targeted by corrupt lawmakers.

Rousseff's scheduled appearance during her impeachment trial is the culmination of a fight going back to late last year, when opponents in Congress presented a measure to remove her from office. It will come a day, perhaps two, before the Senate votes on whether to oust her from the presidency.

In May, the Senate voted 55-22 to suspend her from office for up to 180 days while a trial was prepared. Michel Temer, who was her vice president and turned into her nemesis, took over as president. If Rousseff is permanently removed, Temer will serve the rest of her term, which goes through 2018.

An official who had access to Rousseff's opening address told The Associated Press on Sunday that her tone would be very assertive, which could fuel more tensions coming on the heels of the first three days of the trial, which included name-calling, shouting and a declaration by the Senate president that "stupidity is limitless."

Rousseff was expected to arrive in the morning and deliver a 30-minute address. Both supporters and

opponents then will be able to ask questions of Brazil's first female president.

In the middle of her second term, the left-leaning leader is accused of breaking fiscal rules to hide problems in the federal budget. She denies wrongdoing and argues that her enemies are carrying out a "coup d'état."

Opponents claim her maneuvers were an attempt to continue high spending and mask deficits, which ultimately exacerbated a severe recession in Latin America's largest economy.

According to the official close to Rousseff, she planned remarks that would be "firm, but not arrogant." The official agreed to discuss the speech only if not quoted by name because he wasn't authorized to divulge its details.

The trial is being presided over by Supreme Court Chief Justice Ricardo Lewandowski.

Outside Congress, a huge wall was put up to separate Rousseff supporters and pro-impeachment activists. Police did not allow anyone to camp there Sunday, so the grounds were completely empty. Union and social movement leaders said it would be a different scene Monday during Rousseff's testimony and later during the final vote expected Tuesday or Wednesday.

Playing with sports concussion doubles recovery time: Study

LINDSEY TANNER, AP Medical Writer

CHICAGO (AP) — Continuing to play despite a concussion doubles recovery time for teen athletes and leads to worse short-term mental function than in those immediately removed from action, a study found.

It's billed as the first to compare recovery outcomes for athletes removed from a game or practice compared with those who aren't. The study was small, involving 69 teens treated at a University of Pittsburgh Medical Center concussion clinic, but the results bolster evidence supporting the growing number of return-to-play laws and policies nationwide.

The study was published Monday in the journal *Pediatrics*.

KEEPING SCORE

The study involved athletes aged 15 on average from several sports, including football, soccer, ice hockey and basketball who had concussions during a game or practice. Half continued to play and took 44 days on average to recover from symptoms, versus 22 days in those who were immediately sidelined.

Sidelined players reported symptoms immediately, including dizziness, headaches, mental foginess and fatigue, and were diagnosed with concussions by trainers or team physicians. The others, who continued playing for 19 minutes on average, delayed reporting symptoms and were diagnosed later.

Those who continued to play had worse scores on mental function tests performed eight days after the concussion and 30 days after the concussion. Medical records showed mental function had been similar in all players before their concussions.

RISKY RETURNS

Return-to-play policies are widespread, especially in youth athletics, and they typically recommend sidelining players after a suspected concussion until symptoms resolve. One of the main reasons is to prevent a rare condition called second-impact syndrome — potentially fatal brain swelling or bleeding that can occur when a player still recovering from a concussion gets hit again in the head.

The study results show that a prolonged recovery is another important risk from returning to play too soon — one that "no one had really calculated" until now, said Dr. Allen Sills, a Vanderbilt University neurosurgeon. He was not involved in the research.

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About 300,000 sports-related concussions occur each year nationwide among all ages. In high school athletics, they occur at a rate of almost 3 per 10,000 games or practices.

Evidence suggests up to 50 percent of concussions in teen sports aren't reported. Athletes are sometimes not aware they've experienced a concussion, or they suspect a head injury but continue playing because "they don't want to let their teammates down," said University of Arkansas concussion researcher R.J. Elbin, the study's lead author.

The results "give us more ammunition" to persuade young athletes to heed the return-to-play advice, Elbin said.

Christian groups have renewed focus on fighting racism

RACHEL ZOLL, AP Religion Writer

Christian groups have recently been putting more time and resources into addressing racism, with the issue at the forefront because of police shootings of black men and the Black Lives Matter movement.

One of the largest U.S. evangelical college ministries, Intervarsity Christian Fellowship, took up Black Lives Matter at its most recent student missions conference.

Two overwhelmingly white religious groups — the Episcopal Church and the Presbyterian Church, (U.S.A.), which is the nation's largest Presbyterian denomination — have for the first time elected black clergy as their top church officers. The New Baptist Covenant, an initiative by President Jimmy Carter to unite Baptists, has sharpened its programming focus on building partnerships between black and white churches.

And Christian publications and blogs such as Christianity Today, Mere Orthodoxy, Relevant, The Christian Century and the Gospel Coalition, have also put a spotlight on systemic racism.

Here are some examples of how Christians are tackling the issues:

SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION: The denomination founded in 1845 in support of slaveholding has recently made a priority of addressing racism. In 2012, the convention elected its first black president, the Rev. Fred Luter. The Southern Baptist public policy arm, the Ethics & Religious Liberty Commission, has been holding talks and conferences for pastors on the Gospel and racial reconciliation. And over the past year, pastors from the 15.5 million-member denomination and a major black Baptist group, the National Baptist Convention, U.S.A., started a public conversation about fighting racism. At the Southern Baptist Convention meeting last June, delegates voted to repudiate use of the Confederate flag.

EPISCOPAL CHURCH: The church, which has been the spiritual home of many Founding Fathers and U.S. presidents, last year voted to put more resources behind combatting racism. The 1.8 million-member denomination also elected its first black leader, Presiding Bishop Michael Curry. Dioceses have been holding anti-racism training and some are researching their historic links to slavery. The Diocese of Rhode Island plans a museum in its cathedral that will examine the church's involvement with the slave trade.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN AMERICA: At its meeting last June, the nation's second-largest Presbyterian group issued a detailed apology for its past bigotry, repenting sins "committed during the civil rights era," past teachings that the Bible condoned slavery and discouraged interracial marriage, "participation in and defense of white supremacist organizations," and its "continuing racial sins." The denomination was formed in 1973 mostly by Southern churches that wanted to preserve their theologically conservative approach to Scripture, but who were also opposed to desegregation, according to Tobin Grant, a political scientist at Southern Illinois University and columnist for Religion News Service.

Wednesday speech could clarify Trump's immigration policy

LAURIE KELLMAN, Associated Press

WASHINGTON (AP) — Republican presidential candidate Donald Trump announced he'll be making a speech on illegal immigration on Wednesday in Arizona, after a week of speculation that he might be softening his hard-line promise to deport 11 million people living in the United States illegally.

The speech, posted in a Tweet late Sunday, was initially set for last week in Colorado, but was pushed back as Trump and his team wrestled over the details of what he would propose. There has been debate within his campaign about immigrants who haven't committed crimes beyond their immigration offenses.

The candidate's shifting stance hasn't made it easy for top supporters and advisers, from his running mate on down, to defend him or explain some campaign positions. Across the Sunday news shows, a parade of Trump stand-ins, led by vice presidential nominee Mike Pence, couldn't say whether Trump was sticking with or changing a central promise to use a "deportation force" to expel immigrants here illegally. And they didn't bother defending his initial response Saturday to the killing of a mother as she walked her baby on a Chicago street.

Questioned on whether leaving key details on immigration policy unclear so late in the election is a problem, Republican National Committee Chairman Reince Priebus demurred: "I just don't speak for Donald Trump."

It was a striking look at Trump's leadership of a team he had said would help drive him to victory in the Nov. 8 election.

Surrogates speak for and back up their presidential nominee. But Team Trump's struggled to do so even as they stayed tightly together on the details they know: Trump will issue more details on the immigration plan soon, the policy will be humane, and despite his clear wavering, he's been "consistent" on the issue. Any discussion of inconsistencies or potentially unpresidential tweeting, Pence and others suggested, reflected media focus on the wrong issue.

Asked whether the "deportation force" proposal Trump laid out in November is still in place, Pence replied: "Well, what you heard him describe there, in his usual plainspoken, American way, was a mechanism, not a policy."

Added Trump's campaign manager, Kellyanne Conway: "The softening is more approach than policy," adding that on immigration, Trump "wants to find a fair and humane way."

The Indiana governor, Conway and other surrogates said the main tenets of Trump's immigration plan still will include building a wall along the southern U.S. border and making Mexico pay for it, no path to status adjustment or citizenship for people here illegally and stronger border enforcement. Pence also did not answer whether the campaign believes, as Trump has said, that children born to people who are in the U.S. illegally are not U.S. citizens. That, he said, "is a subject for the future."

Native-born children of immigrants, even those living illegally in the U.S., have been automatically considered American citizens since the adoption of the 14th Amendment in 1868.

Trump has focused lately on deporting people who are in the U.S. illegally and who have committed crimes. But who Trump considers a criminal remained unclear Sunday.

Trump in recent days has suggested he might be "softening" on the deportation force and that he might be open to allowing at least some immigrants in the country illegally to stay, as long as they pay taxes.

But by Thursday, he was ruling out any kind of legal status — "unless they leave the country and come back," he told CNN.

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Recent polls indicate Democratic nominee Hillary Clinton is ahead in some of the most competitive and pivotal states. But Trump is working to gain the advantage. His campaign announced on Sunday a \$10 million-plus buy for ads to air in nine competitive states starting this coming week.

The campaign continues to press for the African-American vote, as well. Late Sunday, the nation's only African-American owned and operated national Christian television network announced its president and CEO, Bishop Wayne T. Jackson would interview the Republican nominee in Detroit on Sept. 3.

The first presidential debate is set for Sept. 26.

His surrogates on Sunday refused to comment on Trump's reaction to the fatal shooting of NBA star Dwyane Wade's cousin Friday, as she pushed her baby in a stroller in Chicago.

Trump's first tweet about the shooting ended this way: "Just what I have been saying. African-Americans will VOTE TRUMP!"

A few hours later, he followed up with a tweet offering condolences to Wade and his family.

Asked whether the initial tweet was presidential or appropriate, GOP officials and campaign advisers instead talked about reducing crime or said they were pleased Trump followed up with a tweet of condolence and empathy.

New Jersey Gov. Chris Christie said the media "focus on process ... instead of the message." He said the killing of someone pushing a stroller "is unacceptable in an American city" and that "the level of violence in Chicago is unacceptable."

Pence appeared on CNN's "State of the Union," Priebus was on NBC's "Meet the Press," Christie was interviewed on ABC's "This Week" and Conway was on Fox and CBS' "Face the Nation."

Rams rookie receiver Pharoh Cooper out with shoulder injury

GREG BEACHAM, AP Sports Writer

IRVINE, Calif. (AP) — Los Angeles Rams rookie receiver Pharoh Cooper probably will miss the regular-season opener after getting hurt in an exhibition game Saturday.

Rams coach Jeff Fisher said Sunday night that Cooper has an injured shoulder.

Cooper has two receptions for 30 yards and a touchdown in the Rams' first three preseason games. The fourth-round pick from South Carolina also has returned four punts for Los Angeles.

Fisher also said cornerback E.J. Gaines will miss "some time" with a strained quadriceps muscle.

Offensive tackle Greg Robinson and cornerback Troy Hill went into the NFL's concussion protocol after the Rams' loss at Denver. Fisher says both players are "way ahead of schedule and didn't have any residual effects."

Los Angeles finishes its preseason schedule at Minnesota on Thursday night.

Scientists exit Hawaii dome after yearlong Mars simulation

HILO, Hawaii (AP) — Six scientists have completed a yearlong Mars simulation in Hawaii, where they lived in a dome in near isolation.

For the past year, the group in the dome on a Mauna Loa mountain could go outside only while wearing spacesuits.

On Sunday, the simulation ended, and the scientists emerged.

Cyprien Verseux, a crew member from France, said the simulation shows a mission to Mars can succeed.

"I can give you my personal impression which is that a mission to Mars in the close future is realistic. I think the technological and psychological obstacles can be overcome," Verseux said.

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Christiane Heinicke, a crew member from Germany, said the scientists were able to find their own water in a dry climate.

"Showing that it works, you can actually get water from the ground that is seemingly dry. It would work on Mars and the implication is that you would be able to get water on Mars from this little greenhouse construct," she said.

Tristan Bassingthwaighe, a doctor of architecture candidate at University of Hawaii, served as the crew's architect.

"The UH research going on up here is just super vital when it comes to picking crews, figuring out how people are going to actually work on different kinds of missions, and sort of the human factors element of space travel, colonization, whatever it is you are actually looking at," Bassingthwaighe said.

Kim Binsted, principal investigator for the Hawaii Space Exploration Analog and Simulation (HI-SEAS), said the researchers are looking forward to getting in the ocean and eating fresh produce and other foods that weren't available in the dome.

"HI-SEAS is an example of international collaborative research hosted and run by the University of Hawai'i. So it's really exciting to be able to welcome the crew back to earth and back to Hawai'i after a year on Mars," Binsted said.

NASA funded the study run through the University of Hawaii. Binsted said the simulation was the second-longest of its kind after a mission that lasted 520 days in Russia.

Scientists in the Hawaii simulation managed limited resources while conducting research and working to avoid personal conflicts.

Today in History The Associated Press

Today in History

Today is Monday, Aug. 29, the 242nd day of 2016. There are 124 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Aug. 29, 1966, the Beatles concluded their fourth American tour with their last public concert, held at Candlestick Park in San Francisco.

On this date:

In 1533, the last Incan King of Peru, Atahualpa (ah-tuh-WAHL'-puh), was executed on orders of Spanish conqueror Francisco Pizarro.

In 1877, the second president of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, Brigham Young, died in Salt Lake City, Utah, at age 76.

In 1910, Korean Emperor Sunjong abdicated as the Japan-Korea Annexation Treaty went into effect.

In 1935, the film "Top Hat," starring Fred Astaire and Ginger Rogers, premiered at Radio City Music Hall in New York.

In 1944, 15,000 American troops of the 28th Infantry Division marched down the Champs Elysees (shahms ay-lee-ZAY') in Paris as the French capital continued to celebrate its liberation from the Nazis.

In 1952, the composition 4'33" ("Four Minutes, Thirty-three Seconds") by avant-garde composer John Cage premiered in Woodstock, New York, as David Tudor sat down at a piano, shut the keyboard lid, and, for four minutes and 33 seconds, played ... nothing.

In 1958, pop superstar Michael Jackson was born in Gary, Indiana.

In 1965, Gemini 5, carrying astronauts Gordon Cooper and Charles "Pete" Conrad, splashed down in the Atlantic after 8 days in space.

In 1972, swimmer Mark Spitz of the United States won the third of his seven gold medals at the Munich Olympics, finishing first in the 200-meter freestyle.

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In 1981, broadcaster and world traveler Lowell Thomas died in Pawling, New York, at age 89.

In 1996, the Democratic National Convention in Chicago nominated Al Gore for a second term as vice president. Earlier in the day, President Bill Clinton's chief political strategist, Dick Morris, resigned amid a scandal over his relationship with a prostitute.

In 2005, Hurricane Katrina hit the Gulf Coast near Buras, Louisiana, bringing floods that devastated New Orleans. More than 1,800 people in the region died.

Ten years ago: President George W. Bush visited New Orleans one year after Hurricane Katrina devastated the region to offer comfort and hope to residents. Tropical Storm Ernesto's leading edge drenched Miami and the rest of southern Florida.

Five years ago: In a sign Moammar Gadhafi had lost grip on his country, his wife and three of his children fled Libya to neighboring Algeria. Grammy-winning blues musician David "Honey Boy" Edwards, believed to be the oldest surviving Delta bluesman, died in his Chicago home at age 96.

One year ago: Church bells rang marking the decade since Hurricane Katrina struck the Gulf Coast; local and congressional leaders laid wreaths at a memorial in New Orleans holding the unclaimed and unidentified bodies from the deadly storm. An Egyptian court sentenced three journalists for Al-Jazeera English to three years in prison for broadcasting "false news," sparking an international outcry. Triple Crown winner American Pharoah lost to Keen Ice in the \$1.6 million Travers Stakes before a stunned crowd at Saratoga Race Course. Author and motivational speaker Wayne W. Dyer, 75, died in Hawaii.

Today's Birthdays: Actress Betty Lynn (TV: "The Andy Griffith Show") is 90. Movie director William Friedkin is 81. Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., is 80. Actor Elliott Gould is 78. Movie director Joel Schumacher is 77. TV personality Robin Leach is 75. Actress Deborah Van Valkenburgh is 64. Treasury Secretary Jacob Lew is 61. Dancer-choreographer Mark Morris is 60. Country musician Dan Truman (Diamond Rio) is 60. Actress Rebecca DeMornay is 57. Singer Me'Shell NdegeOcello (n-DAY'-gay-OH'-chehl-oh) is 48. Rhythm-and-blues singer Carl Martin (Shai) is 46. Actress Carla Gugino is 45. Rock musician Kyle Cook (Matchbox Twenty) is 41. Actor John Hensley is 39. Actress Kate Simses (TV: "Dr. Ken") is 37. Rock musician David Desrosiers (Simple Plan) is 36. Rapper A+ is 34. Actress Jennifer Landon is 33. Actor Jeffrey Licon is 31. Actress-singer Lea Michele is 30. Actress Charlotte Ritchie (TV: "Call the Midwife") is 27. Actress Nicole Gale Anderson is 26. Rock singer Liam Payne (One Direction) is 23.

Thought for Today: "Whom the gods wish to destroy they first call promising." — Cyril Connolly, British journalist-writer (1903-1974).