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## Monday, Oct. 24

School Breakfast: Breakfast pizza, fruit, juice, milk.  
School Lunch: Super nachos, sweet potato tots, fruit, romaine salad.  
Senior Menu: Goulash, green beans, apple crisp, whole wheat bread.  
6 p.m.: Volleyball at Milbank (C/JV start at 6 p.m., varsity to follow)  
Oral Interp at Brookings

## Tuesday, Oct. 25

School Breakfast: French toast sticks, links, fruit, juice, milk.  
School Lunch: Spaghetti, meatsauce, garlic toast, fruit, carrots and dit.  
Senior Menu: Baked pork chop, au gratin potatoes, Malibu blend vegetables, cookie, whole wheat bread.  
7 p.m.: Football Playoffs - Groton Area hosts Redfield-Doland

## Wednesday, Oct. 26

School Lunch: Breakfast bagel, fruit, juice, milk.  
School Lunch: Cheese stick, tri tater, broccoli and dip, fruit.  
Senior Menu: Creamed chicken, buttermilk biscuit, peas, Mandarin oranges, peanut butter cookie.

## Thursday, Oct. 27

School Breakfast: Cinnamon roll, yogurt, fruit, juice, milk.  
School Lunch: Hot dog, baked beans, fruit, romaine salad  
Senior Menu: Roast beef, mashed potatoes and gravy, carrots, peaches, dinner roll.  
1:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.: Parent-Teacher Conferences  
6:45 p.m.: Parent Scholarship Presentation  
ASVAB Test

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## Weekly Vikings Roundup

By Jordan Wright

In week 7, the Minnesota Vikings traveled to Philadelphia and got thoroughly dominated by the Eagles. It's highly likely that this game was an aberration, but it's concerning that the Vikings played this poorly after having two weeks to prepare. The Vikings entered the week as the only unbeaten team left in the NFL, and are still an impressive 5-1, but this team has shown some weaknesses that other teams are starting to exploit.

The offense couldn't get anything going on Sunday. Sam Bradford threw for 224 yards, but 107 of them came late in the game when the Vikings were down by 18 points. The biggest cause for concern was the offensive line, which allowed the Eagles to sack Bradford six times and hit him an additional 12. The Vikings have two of the worst tackles in football, per Pro Football Focus. To solve this, the team brought in former Pro Bowl left tackle Jake Long, but it remains to be seen if he can overcome his past injuries and return to form. Even if he is an average player at this stage of his career, he will still be a massive upgrade over TJ Clemmings.

The offensive line's struggles aren't something new. What was surprising was the play of Minnesota's defense on Sunday. Having two weeks to prepare for a rookie quarterback (Carson Wentz, NDSU) playing behind a banged up offensive line, the Vikings' defense should have dominated this game. The Eagles were limited to only 239 yards and 14 points on offense, but there wasn't a moment of the game where the Vikings' defense imposed their will. The defensive line only had one quarterback hit and no sacks, while also giving up 4.5 yards per carry to Philadelphia running backs. Statistics aside, this was the worst game of the season for the Vikings' defense.

The player of the game was Matt Asiata, who carried the ball 12 times for 55 yards. Not only was Asiata the Vikings' leading rusher, he also caught six passes for 25 yards. With all the weapons on this Vikings offense, it was surprising to see Asiata lead the team in touches. He didn't let the team down, however, running hard and picking up much needed yards. Jerick McKinnon seemed to injure his ankle during the game, so we may see more of Asiata over the next few weeks.

The player who needs the most improvement this week is Everson Griffen. This game should have given him a chance to shine, but he was invisible on Sunday. The entire defensive line had a bad day, but nobody else disappeared like Griffen, who couldn't get near Carson Wentz and only had one tackle. I have no doubt that Everson, along with the rest of the defense, will turn things around. But it was disconcerting to see him play this poorly.

Looking ahead, the Vikings play in Chicago on Halloween. The Bears are 1-6 for the year, but they are playing better than their record suggests. Quarterback Jay Cutler hasn't played since week 2, when he injured his thumb on his throwing hand. Brian Hoyer filled in for Cutler and was playing well, but recently fractured his arm and will be out indefinitely. Matt Barkley, Chicago's third string quarterback, will be facing a Vikings' defense who will be in a foul mood after the Philadelphia game. Unless the Vikings have a complete meltdown, they should be able to win this game.



## Death Notice: Lyle Reder

Lyle Reder, 73, of Groton passed away October 23, 2016 at the University of Minnesota. Services are pending with Paetznick-Garness Funeral Chapel, Groton.

## State Minimum Wage to Increase Jan. 1

PIERRE, S.D. – The state minimum wage will increase from \$8.55/hour to \$8.65/hour effective Jan. 1, 2017. The minimum wage is annually adjusted by any increase in the cost of living, as measured in the Consumer Price Index published by the U.S. Department of Labor. This year's increase was 1.06 percent and is rounded up to the nearest five cents.

The hourly minimum wage for tipped employees will be \$4.325/hour effective Jan. 1, 2017, half the minimum wage for non-tipped employees. Wages and tips combined must equal at least the minimum wage.

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## Today in Weather History

October 24, 1989: A storm in the western U.S. produced up to three feet of snow in the mountains around Lake Tahoe, with 21 inches reported at Donner Summit. Thunderstorms in northern California produced 3.36 inches of rain at Redding to establish a 24 hour record for October, and bring their rainfall total for the month to a record 5.11 inches. Chiefly "Indian Summer" type weather prevailed across the rest of the nation. Fifteen cities in the north central U.S. reported record high temperatures for the date as readings soared into the 70s and 80s. Record highs included 74 degrees at International Falls, Minnesota and 86 degrees at Yankton, South Dakota. Record highs also occurred across parts of central and northeast South Dakota. The record highs were 80 degrees at Mobridge and Sisseton, 83 degrees at Aberdeen, and 84 degrees at Pierre.

1785 - A four day rain swelled the Merrimack River in New Hampshire and Massachusetts to the greatest height of record causing extensive damage to bridges and mills. (David Ludlum)

1878: The Gale of 1878 was an intense Category 2 hurricane that was active between October 18 and October 25. It caused extensive damage from Cuba to New England. Believed to be the strongest storm to hit the Washington - Baltimore region since hurricane records began in 1851.

1937 - A snow squall in Buffalo NY tied up traffic in six inches of slush. (David Ludlum)

1947 - The Bar Harbor holocaust occurred in Maine when forest fires consumed homes and a medical research institute. The fires claimed 17 lives, and caused thirty million dollars damage. (David Ludlum)

1951 - Sacramento, CA, reported a barometric pressure of 29.42 inches, to establish a record for October. (The Weather Channel)

1969 - Unseasonably cold air gripped the northeastern U.S. Lows of 10 degrees at Concord, NH, and 6 degrees at Albany NY established October records. (The Weather Channel)

1987 - Snow fell across northeast Minnesota and northwest Wisconsin overnight, with five inches reported at Poplar Lake MN and Gunflint Trail MN. Thunderstorm rains caused flash flooding in south central Arizona, with street flooding reported around Las Vegas NV. Strong northwesterly winds gusting to 50 mph downed some trees and power lines in western Pennsylvania and the northern panhandle of West Virginia. (The National Weather Summary) (Storm Data)

1988 - Strong winds circulating around a deep low pressure centered produced snow squalls in the Great Lakes Region, with six inches reported at Ironwood MI. Wind gusts to 80 mph were reported at State College PA. (The National Weather Summary) (Storm Data)








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2005 - Hurricane Wilma reached the U.S. coastline near Everglades City in Florida with maximum sustained winds near 120 mph. The hurricane accelerated across south Florida and the Miami/Fort Lauderdale area, exiting the coast later the same day. There were 10 fatalities in Florida, and nearly 6 million people lost power, the most widespread power outage in Florida history. Preliminary estimates of insured losses in Florida were over \$6 billion, while uninsured losses were over \$12 billion.



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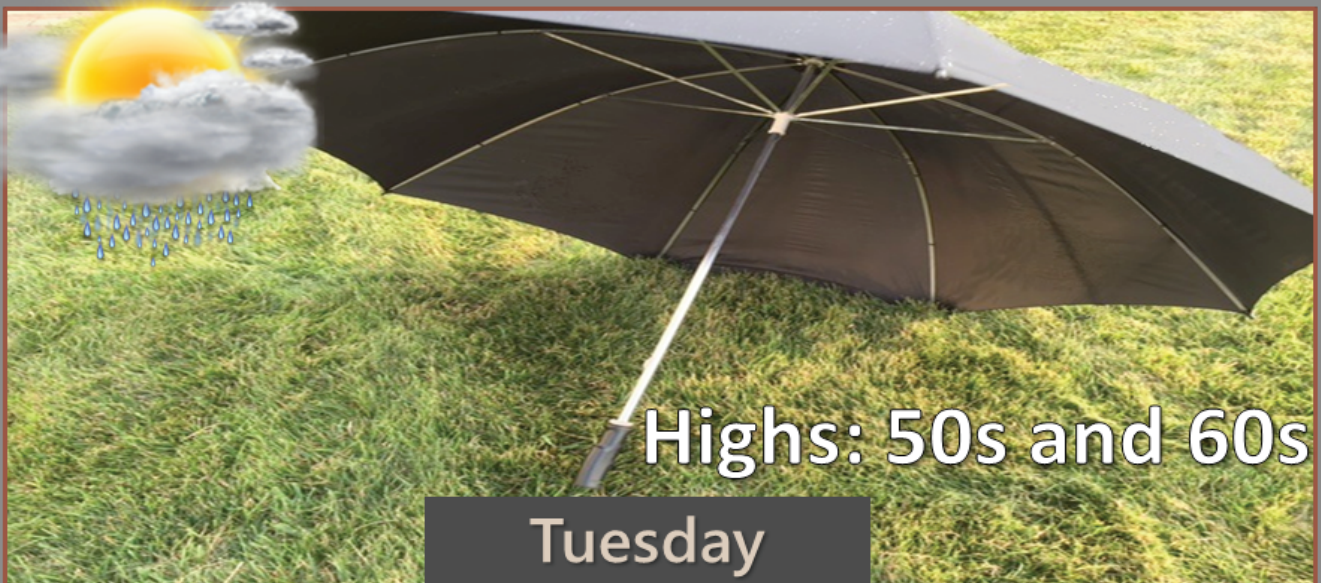
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Today	Tonight	Tuesday	Tuesday Night	Wednesday	Wednesday Night	Thursday
						
Areas Fog then Mostly Sunny	Mostly Cloudy	Rain Likely	Chance Rain	Partly Sunny	Partly Cloudy	Partly Sunny
High: 56 °F	Low: 43 °F	High: 54 °F	Low: 43 °F	High: 57 °F	Low: 37 °F	High: 61 °F

Highs: mid 50s to mid 60s  
warmest across central South Dakota

morning FOG

Today



Highs: 50s and 60s

Tuesday



National Weather Service Aberdeen, SD



Updated: 10/24/2016 4:32 AM Central

Published on: 10/24/2016 at 4:32AM

Patchy dense fog will continue across portions of eastern South Dakota and West Central Minnesota through mid-morning. Extra time may be required for the morning commute. Highs today will range from the mid 50s to the mid 60s, warmest over central South Dakota where a breezy southeasterly winds will develop this afternoon. Wet weather will return Tuesday afternoon, mainly across eastern South Dakota and Minnesota.

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## Yesterday's Weather

**High Outside Temp: 53.8 F at 4:10 PM**

**Low Outside Temp: 34.9 F at 7:58 AM**

**High Gust: 28.0 Mph at 11:26 AM**

Precip: 0.00

## Today's Info

**Record High: 8° in 1989**

**Record Low: 6° in 1917**

**Average High: 54°F**

**Average Low: 30°F**

**Average Precip in Oct.: 1.66**

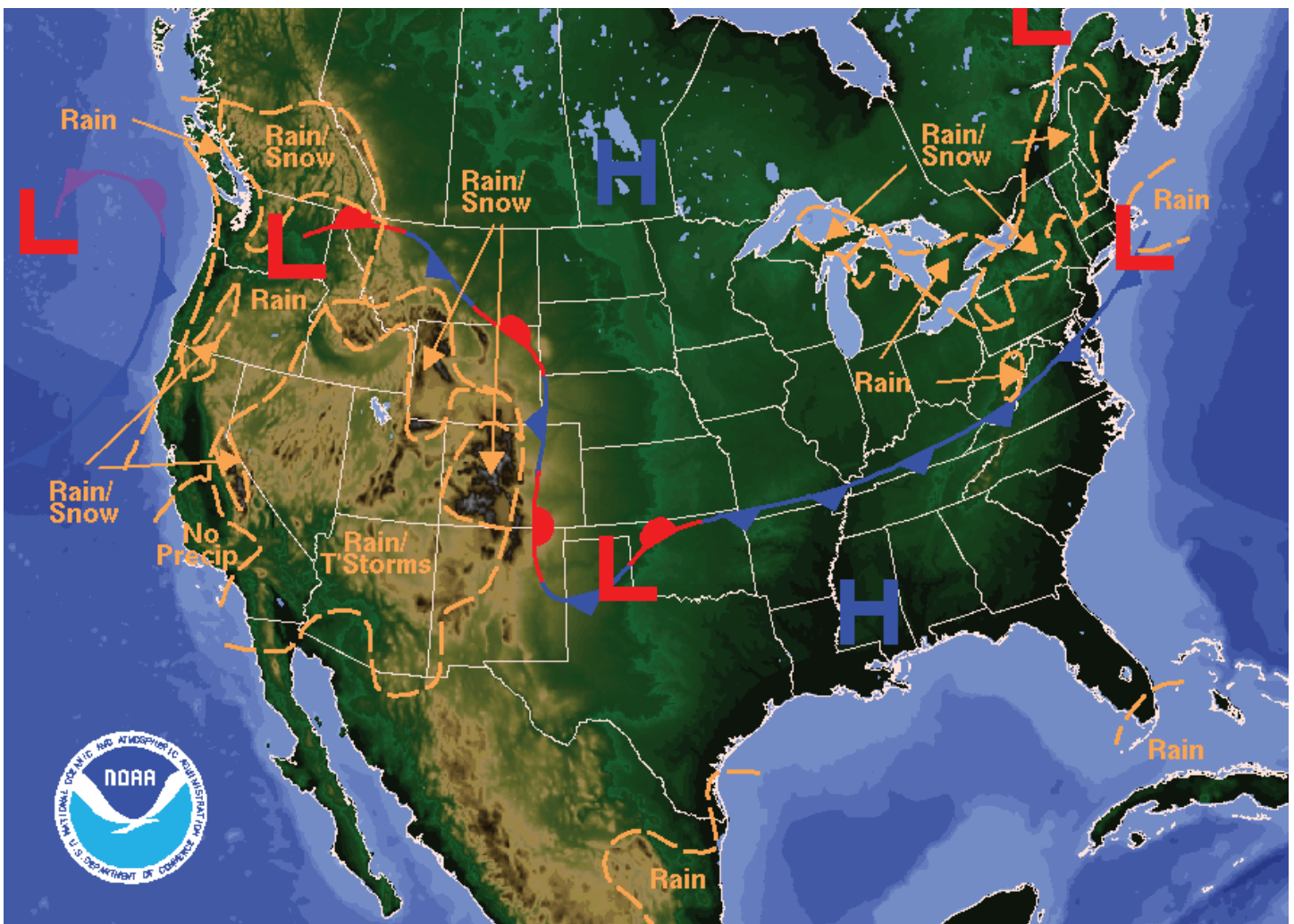
**Precip to date in Oct.: 0.63**

**Average Precip to date: 20.14**

**Precip Year to Date: 13.83**

**Sunset Tonight: 6:32 p.m.**

**Sunrise Tomorrow: 8:04 a.m.**



Weather Forecast for Mon, Oct 24, 2016, issued 4:49 AM EDT  
DOC/NOAA/NWS/NCEP/Weather Prediction Center  
Prepared by McReynolds based on WPC, SPC and NHC forecasts

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## WHAT ARE YOU DOING WITH MY WORLD?

It was Jim's sixth birthday and his father wanted him to begin to understand continents and nations. So, he bought him a lighted globe. He was fascinated with the way it glowed in the dark and gently lit his room. And he also enjoyed the time his Dad spent in his room telling him stories about the different countries of the world.

One evening his Dad silently slipped into his room thinking that Jim was asleep. He wanted to "borrow" the globe so he could locate the countries that were mentioned during the evening news hour.

As he was leaving, Jim who was not asleep asked, "Dad, what are you doing with my world?"

What a great question for each of us. No doubt God would have us answer a similar question: "What are you doing with My world?"

Jesus said that "God loved the world so much that He sent me into the world to save it." We know that Jesus fulfilled God's plan for His life; He gave His life on the cross for our salvation. We also know that He is now in heaven with His Father. And we also know that the work that Jesus began is to be carried on by us His disciples.

As His disciples, it is important, no it is critical, that we ask ourselves constantly, "What we are we doing in God's world today to save the lost for whom my Son, your Savior, died?"

Prayer: Lord, give us an urgency to do Your work in Your world to save the lost. Do not let us rest in Your peace until we bring Your message to someone each day. In Jesus' Name, Amen.

Scripture for Today: John 3:16 For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.

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## Census Bureau nixes 2017 test on Standing Rock Reservation

FORT YATES, N.D. (AP) — The U.S. Census Bureau has canceled a planned field operations test next year on the Standing Rock Indian Reservation in the Dakotas due to funding concerns.

Standing Rock was one of two reservations in the country that were to be included in tests leading up to the 2020 Census. The Census Bureau also is canceling planned 2017 tests on the Colville Reservation in Washington state and in Puerto Rico.

The reservation tests were intended to help improve how the bureau works with tribes and to provide the best data possible to help ensure tribes get the resources they need.

The bureau says in light of uncertain funding it will prioritize and consider tests on the reservations when it conducts a larger national test in 2018.

## Officials work to slow the spread of invasive species

By Mark Watson, Black Hills Pioneer

SPEARFISH, S.D. (AP) — The Belle Fourche Reservoir dodged a major environmental bullet in September when a barge that was to be used to dredge parts of the reservoir was discovered to be covered with zebra mussels.

That barge was inspected and sent for sanitation before it entered the water.

Zebra mussels are on the state's least wanted list of aquatic invasive species as they can harm aquatic ecosystems and wreak havoc on pipes connected to the watershed.

Layer upon layer of mussels can line and clog pipes. That could be irrigation pipes, the plumbing of a dam, or a boat motor, clogging the cooling system and overheating the motor, said Mike Smith, aquatic invasive species coordinator for the South Dakota Game, Fish, and Parks.

As for damaging the ecosystem, Smith said each adult mussel can filter about a liter of water every day, siphoning out plankton and algae from the water.

"Plankton is the basis of the aquatic food web," Smith said. "Pretty much everything starts with plankton."

Small baitfish feed upon the plankton. They in turn are fed upon by larger game fish. And with mussel densities of a couple hundred thousand per square meter, the amount of water filtered can be staggering, the Black Hills Pioneer (<http://bit.ly/2en9piw>) reported.

Worst case scenario, he said, without plankton feeding the ecosystem, the fishery could die out.

"It's always tough to pinpoint one exact cause in the collapse of a fishery, but it can definitely have that effect," he said.

The increase of the mussels in the state has been rapid. They were first discovered in the Great Lakes in the 1980s and have spread across the country.

"We had our first evidence of a zebra mussel in South Dakota in 2014 in the form of a single mussel at Lewis and Clark State Park. The following year, we noticed we had quite a few more mussels," Smith said.

"This year we had a confirmed zebra mussel presence in McCook Lake in Union County, and the population at Lewis and Clark has expanded exponentially," he continued.

In 2015, about 30 percent of the boats in the Lewis and Clark Reservoir marina had mussels on them. This year, mussels are on 85 percent of the boats, most with dozens or even hundreds of mussels on them.

"It is rapidly, rapidly expanding its population even beyond what we expected this year," Smith said of the zebra mussel population.

Once the mussels and their cousins, the quagga mussel, are established in a body of water, little can be done to get rid of them.

"They reproduce so quickly, even more so than Asian carp," Smith said. "Each female zebra mussel can release a million eggs per spawn, and they also spawn multiple times per year."

Spawning times range pretty much any time the water is above 50 degrees and below 90 degrees,



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Smith said.

And even though there is a very high mortality rate, up to 95 percent of eggs, around 50,000 would remain.

Smith said that a chemical has been developed to kill zebra and quagga mussels in open bodies of water. However, to treat a lake the size similar to the Lewis and Clark Reservoir, chemical costs would range between \$20 billion and \$40 billion.

To put that in context, the state of South Dakota's budget for 2016 was \$4.8 billion.

"There is nothing we can do that is cost effective to take these out," Smith said.

Asian carp also on least wanted list

Asian carp consists of four species, the silver and bighead carp are in South Dakota. Each female can produce more than 300,000 eggs per spawn, and they spawn multiple times each year, according to the GF&P.

They are currently in all major tributaries of the Missouri River in the state.

"They rapidly reproduce and can pretty much get into pretty much any amount of water," Smith said.

"The juvenile get into really shallow areas, and that is where they stay until they mature into bigger-sized fish. They can grow really quickly, too. After that first year of growth, they are too big for our predator fish."

Although the fish carry the name carp, they are not a bottom feeder.

"They actually eat plankton, which is what our juvenile game fish and forage fish eat," Smith said. "When you have these big population growth, they can really consume a lot of plankton. There is very little food left over for those other species."

Like the mussels, once the carp are established, there is little that can be done to stop the spread.

Smith said there are reports of Asian carp being in South Dakota dating back to the early 1990s and possibly as far back as the late 80s.

"We really didn't see this huge expansion until 2010," he said. "That coincided with a couple years of really high runoff. That's one of the keys for them to have a really successful spawn; a high spring runoff. A lot of water will come down and flood areas and make backwater areas, which is perfect habitat for juveniles to live."

In 2012, the state restricted fishermen from gathering minnows from most of the counties in Eastern South Dakota. That is because the Asian carp minnows look very similar to gizzard shad, a common bait-fish. Transporting live carp to other bodies of water could lead to the expansion of the prolific fish.

Currently, the spread of Asian carp has stopped. Both silver and bighead carp can be found in the Missouri River below Gavins Point Dam, the James River, the Vermillion River, below the spillway, and the Big Sioux River downstream of Falls Park in Sioux Falls. On the James River, they made their way all the way to North Dakota, Smith said.

Smith said the GF&P is not trying to stop the invasive species, since that is cost prohibitive. Rather, the department is trying to slow the spread. By following the regulations, you can help do this.

It is against the law to dump minnows into water. They should be placed into a fish grinder or thrown in the trash at the end of the day.

Boat plugs must be removed when not on the water.

"So many of these species are transported in water, and you don't even know that they are in there. They are microscopic," Smith said. "Just following the regulations is going to go a very long ways in slowing the spread."

"We operate under the old adage 'an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure,'" Smith said. "If we spend the money and educate people up front on what these things are, how they spread, and how we can stop or slow the spread across the state, that is where our money is best spent."

He said more invasive species are on the horizon. The snakehead fish is moving in from the south and the New Zealand mud snail, which affects trout streams, is "knocking on the door from the West."

## Colleagues who were exposed to toxins develop disorders

By Dana Ferguson, Argus Leader

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. (AP) — The pamphlet wouldn't answer Becky Sivertson's questions.

"The central nervous system consists of the brain, spinal cord, and the optic nerves. Surrounding and protecting the nerve fibers (or axons) of the central nervous system is a fatty tissue called myelin."

Sitting on a papered exam table, Sivertson fought back tears.

When myelin or the nerve fiber is destroyed or damaged, the ability of the nerves to conduct electrical impulses to and from the brain is disrupted, and this produces the various symptoms of multiple sclerosis, the Argus Leader (<http://argusne.ws/2dES82M>) reported.

She asked the doctor to repeat the diagnosis: multiple sclerosis.

MS symptoms can include reduced or abnormal sensations, weakness, vision changes, clumsiness, sudden loss of bladder control, and so on. Symptoms might appear in any combination and be mild or severe.

The phone call Sivertson made in the parking lot mirrored a conversation she had six months earlier.

In September 2007, Melinda Bender broke the news to Sivertson that she had been diagnosed with MS.

Now, in March 2008, the best friends were repeating the same stunned exchange with roles reversed.

"We caught something in that building," Sivertson said.

That building is Southeastern Behavioral Health's 5th Street Connection at 100 W. 5th St. in downtown Sioux Falls.

Sivertson and Bender worked at the mental health clinic in the mid-1990s, a decade before an ambitious redevelopment project would transform the area by extending Phillips Avenue north to Falls Park.

Soon after Sivertson's call, Bender heard from another former colleague, Dr. Stacey Herbster. She also had been diagnosed with MS.

They learned Dorothy Darveaux was struggling with thyroid issues, fatigue, and eye problems. Her former officemate Theresa Aasen had developed similar symptoms.

The women tracked down more former co-workers and learned about another MS case and two others with fibromyalgia. Ellie Anderson had Hashimoto's disease, a condition in which the immune system attacks the thyroid. Karen Anderson was diagnosed with sarcoidosis and Jill Baldwin had a child born with reflex sympathetic dystrophy syndrome, which causes pain and inflammation.

After sketching out their office, they concluded 10 of the 14 people who worked there two decades ago had since developed auto-immune disorders or had children with inflammatory diseases.

Could it be coincidence? Desperate to understand, the group set out in search of information to explain their connection.

The therapists, psychiatrists, and case managers at 5th Street Connection then had a front row seat to one of the biggest pollution cleanups in the city's history.

The clinic sat next to a salvage yard with a long history of industrial use. Today the property is part of Falls Park, but it used to be mostly wetlands. Seney Island was a picnic spot for residents in the late 1800s. As the city's industry grew, the marshy area around the island was filled in with waste to make the land available for development.

A coal gasification plant used the site as a landfill before selling the property to the Milwaukee Railroad Company in the early 1900s. After the railroad went bankrupt, the property was sold to Pitts, Inc., which turned it into an auto salvage yard.

As debris and scrap metal piled up, the city of Sioux Falls began eyeing the property in the early 1990s as part of a vision to connect downtown with the city's namesake park. The Phillips to the Falls project would change the city, but first officials would have to address more than a century's worth of pollution.

The ground was soaked with lead, arsenic, mercury and a long list of heavy metals and petrochemicals linked to a wide range of health problems with exposure.

The cocktail of toxins can have dangerous health effects, according to assessments from the Center for Disease Control and Prevention's registry of toxic substances. The substances included carcinogens and toxins linked to problems with nervous systems, immune systems and reproductive systems.

Sivertson and her coworkers used to joke during smoke breaks, "What do you think we're catching out

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here?"

The link between multiple sclerosis and the list of contaminants found in the salvage yard soil is tenuous. Early research has found correlations between lead exposure and MS, but it's not a definitive link, according to Frederick Miller, chief of the Environmental Autoimmunity Group at the National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences. The lack of conclusive evidence doesn't rule out the association, though.

"The bottom line is that more research is needed to address this," Miller said.

Buried deep in the ground, the toxins generally pose little risk, but dangerous exposure can occur when contaminated soil is disturbed without taking steps to prevent dust or debris from becoming airborne.

In 1993, the city, state and a private contractor began drilling bore holes, testing soil and water and removing contaminated material to keep it from getting into the river. All records and accounts suggest workers followed protocols for preventing the spread of contaminants, carefully managed soil and tarping it before taking it to a landfill.

"Based on available information from this project, which was undertaken over 10 years ago, people working in offices in this area would not have been exposed to airborne contaminants from the project," assistant city attorney Diane Best said.

The Department of Environment and Natural Resources said it hasn't heard any reports of illnesses springing up as a result of the project and didn't believe people in the area were exposed to any contaminants.

And in any remediation project it's unlikely that the excavation project could have generated enough contaminated vapor exposure to drift offsite to the building without contractors knowing, said James Harless, vice president of environmental services at Michigan-based engineering consultation group SME.

"If there were, the contractors and workers would have been dropping like flies," he said.

Sivertson, Bender and Darveaux compiled stacks of public documents related to the pollution cleanup but never found a smoking gun.

Worthington attorney James Malter worked with the women for months, trying to flesh out the theory that might connect the coworkers' conditions with the contamination.

Their best hypothesis: at some point before the official cleanup began, the city or state dug up untested ground and unknowingly sent contaminated soil airborne.

"If the wind blew through the door, we were hit," Darveaux said.

The problem: there is no evidence to build a case against the city or another party. Any dirt that was hauled away untested has long disappeared into a landfill.

"The evidence was taken away a long time ago," Malter said.

The attorney said extensive studies would need to be done on the soil that was hauled away and conclusive proof that the exposure led to the diseases would need to be proved before he could make the case.

"Sometimes the legal system isn't the best way to resolve problems," he said. "It would be like suing a dead man or a pauper, you can't succeed."

Maybe some Erin Brockovich character could figure it out, but Malter said he couldn't find a way to connect the dots.

He broke the news to Sivertson, Bender, Darveaux and the others this summer after reaching a dead end in his research.

Clusters of MS or the other autoimmune diseases aren't unprecedented, but relatively little is known about how common they are or why they occur.

At this point the National MS Society has tracked some clusters of diagnoses but doesn't have a process of verifying that they all stemmed from a root cause. Researchers know that latitude and family history can contribute to the likelihood of developing the disease, but few other details have emerged.

Nicholas LaRocca, vice president of health care delivery and policy research for the National MS Society, said the group is working to track cases of MS across the country through a registry to better see where clusters have developed. He said mapping those trends could help guide discussions about what factors incite the disease.

"There are clusters out there. Investigating them is the challenge," he said

LaRocca said the society has lobbied Congress for financial help in creating the registry but hasn't had

success so far. A similar registry for ALS was approved in 2008.

For now, the society is unable to provide many answers for groups that suspect clusters, LaRocca said. And with the registry set to become available in 2017, he's had to say call back in a few months.

"Unfortunately that's the answer at this point," LaRocca said.

The women are left praying on miracles and the compassion of others to help them. Bender and Sivertson are trying to raise money for stem cell treatments. Bender, 50, is already in a motorized scooter. Her doctor recently told her she's not responding to the highest dosages of her medication and, barring a scientific breakthrough, she'll likely decline in health.

"They've basically given me a living death sentence," Bender said. "I just want answers."

Dr. Jerome Freeman, Sivertson's neurologist, said there are multiple inciting factors for MS and until science advances, there's no way to know for sure what caused any specific case.

"All patients would like to have an absolute answer, first in terms of what their diagnosis is and then in terms of cause," Freeman said, "but frequently in medicine, those answers don't exist."

Information from: Argus Leader, <http://www.argusleader.com>

## Officials shoot at drone during weekend of pipeline protests

MANDAN, N.D. (AP) — Law enforcement officials fired at an unmanned aircraft and a group of Dakota Access pipeline opponents twice blocked a North Dakota state highway Sunday, capping a weekend of protests.

A helicopter helping monitor a protest against the four-state pipeline Sunday morning was approached by a drone in a "threatening manner," the Morton County Sheriff's Office said in a statement. An officer in the helicopter told law enforcement on the ground that the pilot and passengers were "in fear of their lives" and that the unmanned aircraft was going after them. Less-than-lethal ammunition damaged the drone, which was then landed by its operator.

Morton County Sheriff Kyle Kirchmeier said drones flying near protests and near where hundreds have been camping out in protest of the \$3.8 billion pipeline are not being operated according to federal regulations and their investigations will be sent to the states attorney's office for possible charges. Two people operating drones during the protests have already been charged.

Also Sunday, protesters put up two roadblocks on State Highway 1806. The first, which went up about 2 p.m., was made of barbed wire, cars and later hay bales, tree stumps and logs. Law enforcement authorities spoke with protesters, and the blockade came down before 5 p.m. A second roadblock, made with vehicles, campers and a state Department of Transportation message board was still up as of 5:30 p.m. Sunday, the sheriff's office said in a statement.

Texas-based Energy Transfer Partners is building the \$3.8 billion pipeline, which crosses through North Dakota, South Dakota, Iowa and Illinois. Opponents worry about potential effects on drinking water on the Standing Rock Sioux's reservation and farther downstream on the Missouri River, as well as destruction of cultural artifacts.

Sunday's demonstrations come after 126 people were arrested Saturday during a large protest at a pipeline construction site. More than 260 people have now been arrested since demonstrations began in August.

The sheriff's office also said Sunday that 100 protesters have put up temporary structures, like tents, on private property along the pipeline construction route.

A protest organizer did not immediately respond to request for comment.

## Pipeline construction provides boost to businesses in Iowa

CHEROKEE, Iowa (AP) — Businesses in northwest Iowa are getting a boost when construction workers building the Dakota Access oil pipeline arrive in town.

Cherokee city manager Sam Kooiker tells the Sioux City Journal (<http://bit.ly/2eHhygc>) the difference is clear downtown in the evenings when few parking spots are available.



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"The impact is significant," Kooiker said. "As a community, it's been a net positive."

The 1,200-mile pipeline is designed to carry crude oil from North Dakota to Illinois. It has drawn opposition from people worried about potential effects on drinking water and tribal land, but the Energy Transfer Partners project is about 75 percent complete.

It's hard to put an exact figure on the economic benefits, but Mark Buschkamp with the Cherokee Area Economic Development Corp. says it's apparent at area businesses.

"When I drive in in the morning, I see all the construction rigs parked in hotel parking lots," he said. "Our hotels are full. I see a lot of people in lines at the grocery store that I've never seen before."

Lyon County Economic Development Director Steve Simons said that even without concrete figures, he knows businesses in the area saw a boost when pipeline workers arrived, especially in Inwood near the pipeline route.

"They did see a nice bump in business during the construction process," he said.

In Buena Vista County, pipeline workers set up camp during construction.

"I know our campground is full. I know a lot of those people, when they come off of work, are in our restaurants and bars," said Gary Lalone, executive director of Storm Lake United, a business development organization.

The city of Cherokee is considering leaving its Spring Lake Park campground open this winter to accommodate pipeline workers who have filled the campground's 46 spots for most of the summer and fall. The campers pay either \$15 a night or \$320 a month.

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Information from: Sioux City Journal, <http://www.siouxcityjournal.com>

## South Dakota Peace and Justice Center in Sioux Falls closes

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. (AP) — The South Dakota Peace and Justice Center, which focused on reform, poverty and capital punishment, has closed.

The 36-year-old organization officially dissolved and canceled August's Peace Festival due to the medical-related resignation of Executive Director Kristi McLaughlin.

The nondenominational group, which was founded by Sister Adrienne Kaumann in 1980, had recently pledged to take up the issue known as "ban the box," which is meant to keep employees from asking potential employees about criminal arrests on job applications.

Brian Bach, a former president of the board of directors, told The Argus Leader (<http://argusne.ws/2du1Skn>) that the organization has lost significant ground in fundraising, especially over the past three years.

"The political demographics in South Dakota have changed over the last 40 years," Bach said. "A lot of the people who'd supported us in the early '90s had left us."

According to Bach, the group had to evaluate whether its financial support, well under \$50,000 a year, was enough to maintain a presence.

Bach said there are still issues that need to be addressed, particularly poverty on South Dakota's Native American reservations.

McLaughlin said she hopes South Dakota groups will pick up the mantle of civil rights in response to issues like transgender rights, gun violence and drug reform.

"My hope is that, with some of these conversations, something will come up to inspire someone," to address such things, McLaughlin said.

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Information from: Argus Leader, <http://www.argusleader.com>

## Spearfish university offers alcohol diversion program

SPEARFISH, S.D. (AP) — Black Hills State University is rolling out a new program aimed at diverting students cited with minor, first-time alcohol-related charges to avoid the start of a criminal record.

The program requires students to give back to the university and the Spearfish community through vari-

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ous activities, such as writing a report about the effects of alcohol on the body or meeting with the dean of education to talk about how charges could affect a student's chance of getting a teaching certificate. Students are also placed on a one-semester probationary period.

The diversion program is being implemented this fall and is the brainchild of pre-law student Brittany Thompson, who came up with it after volunteering in Lawrence County Teen Court as a teenager, The Black Hills Pioneer (<http://bit.ly/2eBfXZm>) reported. Thompson said she would like to see a diversion program at every university.

The confidential program is run by nearly 20 student volunteers and is overseen by faculty members. The Lawrence County state's attorney's office refers cases to the program.

Students who successfully complete the program will have their records sealed, while students who fail the program are referred back to the state's attorney's office.

"I think that there's a huge problem with our criminal justice system," Thompson said. "If we could get our overall recidivism rate even half of what it is, I think that would be a win, and I think the way you start with that is with our youth."

Information from: Black Hills Pioneer, <http://www.bhpioneer.com>

## South Dakota voters have choices to reshape state government

By JAMES NORD, Associated Press

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. (AP) — On a recent morning, former U.S. Senate candidate Rick Weiland walked between businesses in downtown Sioux Falls, pushing a trio of ballot measures he's dubbed the "trifecta of reform."

The Democrat rattled off the measures' inscrutable names to a clothing shop employee using a slogan invented by his mother: "If you want to change the channel, vote yes on 'T-V-22.'"

It's shorthand for three proposals with the potential to radically reshape South Dakota politics: Candidates wouldn't be identified with a party on ballots, campaigns could receive public funds and the Legislature would no longer control the redistricting process.

The initiatives have the potential to diminish Republicans' domination of state government. All three are opposed by the state GOP, which holds every statewide office and supermajorities in both legislative chambers. The South Dakota Democratic Party supports the redistricting measure but hasn't taken a stance on the other two proposals.

The groups running each ballot measure campaign say they're needed government reforms with bipartisan supporters.

Weiland, who runs a self-described nonpartisan group supporting the proposals, makes no bones that the goal is to upend South Dakota's political establishment. If successful, he hopes to do the same in other states.

"We're in the process here of starting a fire on the prairie, and we're hoping the fire spreads to other areas of the country," Weiland said.

Together, the measures would strengthen minority Democrats, with the biggest potential gain in legislative races, Northern State University political science professor Jon Schaff said. But, he said, the proposals face an uphill battle because of the GOP opposition and voters' historical defeat of ballot measures.

Opponents of the measures haven't yet filed campaign finance reports, though foes of the nonpartisan election plan say they've raised about \$100,000 so far. Political committees supporting the measures each have received hundreds of thousands of dollars in cash and in-kind contributions.

Perhaps the most sweeping changes would come from Constitutional Amendment V, which would establish a nonpartisan primary that would send the top vote-getters to the general election. It wouldn't apply to presidential races.

Nebraska uses such a system for its one-chamber Legislature. California, Louisiana and Washington also use a top-two format, though unlike the South Dakota proposal, their systems include some form of

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party notation.

Former California Republican Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger, who helped lead the push for the state's nonpartisan open primary that voters approved in 2010, wrote an op-ed for a top South Dakota newspaper in favor of the amendment. In a statement to The Associated Press, he said voters are angry at a political system that rewards party extremists and discourages moderation.

"I'm calling on all Americans to join me in creating a future where we elect public servants, not party servants," Schwarzenegger said.

But some believe it would reduce transparency at the polls. It makes sense to list party labels on the ballot, said Judith Ryan, 80, of Sioux Falls, who voted against the amendment when she recently cast her absentee ballot.

"I think the expectation that our voters will be sufficiently informed of the substantive issues in an election without having those parties identified, I think it's just too hard to vote," said Ryan, who described herself as a moderate Republican.

Ryan did vote for Initiated Measure 22, which would allow voters to tap a state fund to send two \$50 credits to participating political candidates, tighten campaign finance and lobbying laws, and create an ethics commission.

Opponents have argued in several venues — radio, mailers, phone calls and canvassing — that public campaign financing would pull state resources from other priorities. The opposition includes Americans For Prosperity-South Dakota, the state Retailers Association and the state Chamber of Commerce and Industry.

Don Frankenfeld, a former GOP state senator who co-chairs the main group backing the plan, said it would fight corruption, hold politicians accountable and make elections more transparent. Supporters spent over \$100,000 on TV advertising last week, he said.

"There's no reason for a Republican in South Dakota to oppose political reform or to favor the potential for corruption," he said.

Tim Wilka, a Democrat from Sioux Falls, supported all three measures on his absentee ballot. The 61-year-old retired attorney said he thinks there's too much cronyism at the state Capitol, and wants political boundaries drawn by an independent commission to make redistricting fairer.

"I'm skeptical, but I'm hopeful," he said.

## Woman who defrauded land buy-back program gets probation

SISSETON, S.D. (AP) — A Sisseton woman will spend five years on probation after admitting that she defrauded a federal program aimed at helping tribal governments consolidate their land.

Sixty-two-year-old Sharon Nelson has also been ordered to pay nearly \$6,650 in restitution. Nelson earlier pleaded guilty to theft of government property.

Authorities accused Nelson of defrauding the federal Land Buy Back Program for Tribal Nations. The program allows tribal members to sell their land to the federal government, which in turn, moves the land into trust for that particular tribe.

Authorities say Nelson sold some of her land and got a check for about \$8,900. She later claimed she didn't get the check, and the money was deposited directly into her account. Six months later, Nelson cashed the check and spent about \$6,900.

## A school shooting inspires more security in South Dakota

By Megan Raposa, Argus Leader

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. (AP) — One year after a Harrisburg High School student put a bullet in the arm of his principal, staff training, safety drills and equipment upgrades have made metro area schools more secure.

The non-fatal school shooting on Sept. 30, 2015, didn't cause knee-jerk security changes, but nearly every school in the area has seen safety upgrades in the last year, the Argus Leader (<http://argusnews.com/2e1Np6G>) reported.

"It's rare that a school reacts to an event anymore," Sioux Falls Superintendent Brian Maher said. "More than anything else, (Harrisburg) reminded us that this can happen here."

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Protecting students from violence and gunfire has been on schools' radars since the 1999 Columbine High School massacre, but the Harrisburg shooting brought those concerns home.

West Central, Brandon Valley, Tri-Valley and Harrisburg have all added surveillance cameras to their school buildings. Dell Rapids and Brandon Valley upgraded security on their main school entrances.

Sioux Falls schools hired additional personnel to monitor students on the playground before school starts in the morning, and Brandon Valley added another school resource officer.

Tri-Valley also implemented panic buttons and a school sentinel program, allowing trained employees to carry firearms to protect students in the event of a school shooting or other crisis situation.

"Any drill that we've done since that time, we've all taken very seriously," said Mark Schlekeway, safety committee facilitator and assistant principal for Brandon Valley High School.

Schools have also taken time to reflect on their policies and procedures. Harrisburg administrators led multiple workshops sharing the lessons they learned in the aftermath of the shooting, in which Principal Kevin Lein was shot by a 16-year-old student, Mason Buhl, who was awaiting trial on an attempted murder charge.

"By far, we don't have all the answers ... but we did learn some things," Harrisburg Superintendent Jim Holbeck said. "And we thought they were worth sharing."

The infrastructure upgrades and lessons from Harrisburg are only part of the equation when it comes to keeping kids safe. Schools also have to create a welcoming environment, administrators said.

"We run schools, not prisons," said West Central Superintendent Jeff Danielsen. "We want the schools to be inviting to the students."

Bob Draeger, a school resource officer at Lincoln High School, views student relationships as an essential part of his job.

"It's amazing," Draeger said. "Just saying hello to a kid in the morning when they're in the school, I might be the only person to say hello to them all day long."

School resource officers help keep students safe through simply being present in the buildings, Brandon Valley Superintendent Jarod Larson said.

"We run schools, not prisons. We want the schools to be inviting to the students."

Jeff Danielsen, superintendent, West Central Schools

Larson gave the example of cars speeding on a city street. When there's a police vehicle on the side of the road, drivers are more likely to slow down solely because they see the police car.

With students, the resource officers' presence prevents the minor thefts and fights that may otherwise break out, Draeger said.

Schools are also working to make sure students who struggle with mental health or feel like they're in crisis have an outlet to help them cope, Danielsen said.

"It's the relationships with the kids that are going to matter," Schlekeway said.

When it comes to responding to a crisis, schools are more prepared now than they ever have been, Holbeck said.

That doesn't mean an incident like the Harrisburg shooting could never happen again.

"The thing that people want the most ... they want me or any other school leader to give them 100 percent guaranteed assurance nothing can happen in their school, and we can't do it," Holbeck said. "If we were to check everybody at the door ... there's no 100 percent guarantee."

Information from: Argus Leader, <http://www.argusleader.com>

## France moving more than 6,000 migrants, destroying huge camp

By ELAINE GANLEY, Associated Press

CALAIS, France (AP) — Lines of migrants with their lives in small bags waited calmly to get on buses in the French port city of Calais on Monday, the first day of the mass evacuation and destruction of the squalid camp they called home.



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French authorities were beginning a complex operation to shut down the makeshift camp, uprooting thousands who made treacherous journeys to escape wars, dictators or grinding poverty and dreamed of building new lives in Britain.

Closely watched by more than 1,200 police, the first of hundreds of buses arrived to begin transferring migrants to reception centers around France where they can apply for asylum. The camp will then be leveled in a weeklong operation. Hotels and even castles are among the hundreds of buildings officials have been converting to migrant housing.

"This is an operation we want to be peaceful and under control. So far it is," French Interior Minister Bernard Cazeneuve said in Paris.

Authorities say the camp, known as "the jungle", holds nearly 6,500 migrants who are seeking to get to Britain. Aid groups say there are more than 8,300.

The harsh reality of the move hit migrants on Monday. Some were happy to leave, others were confused or in shock.

Afghan Imran Khan, 35, risks expulsion if he accepts the French plan to move him to a reception center, because his fingerprints were taken in another European country before he arrived in France. Under European rules, he must be sent back to the country where he first registered.

"I will decide tomorrow (what to do)," he said.

Khan lives in a filthy tent, one of hundreds that are expected to be destroyed by the end of the week as their occupants depart, gradually closing down the camp that sprang up behind an official shelter housing women and providing showers and daily meals.

Unaccompanied minors, many with family members in Britain, were to be housed on-site in containers set up earlier this year as their files are studied in London to see if they qualify for a transfer across the English Channel. The humanitarian organization France Terre d'Asile says 1,291 unaccompanied minors live in the camp.

One 16-year-old Eritrean, Daniel, was heading to the registration center with his cousin, also an unaccompanied minor. "I'm not happy because it's finished, 'the jungle.' I want to go to the U.K.," he said.

In Calais for eight months, he said he has tried daily to jump on trucks heading to Britain, like other migrants in the camp. "I don't want France," he insisted.

Fourteen migrants have died this year in the Calais area.

The unofficial camp, which sprang up 18 months ago, was previously tolerated but given almost no state help. Aid groups, and hundreds of British volunteers, have provided basic necessities. It devolved into a slum where tensions bubbled, friendships formed and smugglers thrived.

The forced departure of thousands is an enormous task, planned for months.

Authorities have had practice. They dismantled the southern half of the camp in March, a chaotic, even brutal, bulldozing operation that drew complaints from human rights groups.

This time, authorities hope to restore some pride by closing the camp that has been seen as a national disgrace in a peaceful, humane operation.

Officials have said that there will be a solution for each migrant — though expulsion may be among them for those who don't qualify for asylum. Meanwhile, France will spend 25 euros a day on each migrant in the reception centers, according to officials. It was not immediately clear how long they will be allowed to stay.

Some doubt the camp's dismantling will end the migrant flux into northern France which predates the slum.

A 2003 French-British accord effectively put the British border in Calais, stopping migrants there and putting the onus on France to deal with their plight.

Now, some fear those determined to cross the English Channel will scatter and create 'mini-jungles' along the northern coast in a never-ending bid to outsmart heavy security and high fences blocking their path to Britain.

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Sylvie Corbet in Paris contributed to the story

## Iraq forces shell IS near Mosul; group urges airstrike probe

By QASSIM ABDUL-ZAHRA and JOSEPH KRAUSS, Associated Press

BARTELLA, Iraq (AP) — Iraqi forces shelled Islamic State positions outside Mosul on Monday as fighting to retake the extremist-held city entered its second week and a rights group urged a probe into a suspected airstrike that hit a mosque, killing over a dozen civilians.

The purported airstrike in northern Iraq struck the women's section of a Shiite mosque on Friday in the town of Daquq amid a large Islamic State assault on the nearby city of Kirkuk. That assault was meant to distract the Iraqi forces and their allies from the massive operation around Mosul, the country's second largest city.

Human Rights Watch said Daquq's residents believe the attack was an airstrike because of the extent of the destruction and because planes could be heard flying overhead. The New York-based watchdog said at least 13 people were reported killed.

The U.S.-led coalition and the Iraqi military, which are waging the offensive to drive IS from Mosul, are the only parties known to be flying military aircraft over Iraq.

Col. John Dorrian, a U.S. military spokesman, said the coalition had "definitively determined" that it did not conduct the airstrike that killed civilians in Daquq, and had shared its findings with the Iraqi government, which is carrying out its own investigation.

"The Coalition uses precision munitions and an exhaustive process to reduce the possibility of civilian casualties and collateral damage because the preservation of civilian life is (of) paramount importance to us," Dorrian said.

Iraqi Brig. Gen. Yahya Rasool, the spokesman for the Joint Military Command, confirmed the Iraqi government was investigating the attack. He declined to say whether Iraqi or coalition planes were flying in the area at the time of the explosion.

The strike in Daquq, around 40 kilometers (25 miles) south of Kirkuk, took place as dozens of IS militants attacked several government and security compounds in and around the city of Kirkuk, some 170 kilometers (100 miles) southeast of Mosul. The assault lasted for two days and killed at least 80 people, mainly security forces.

IS launched a similar attack on the western Iraqi town of Rutba, hundreds of kilometers (miles) away from Mosul, on Sunday. Rasool said the situation there "is completely under control," and IS militants have no presence inside the town.

Dorrian, the coalition spokesman, said "Iraqi forces continue to attack the enemy with coalition air support" in Rutba and that "operations are ongoing."

He says coalition airstrikes have destroyed five Islamic State vehicles and killed a "significant" number of militants in the town, which is hundreds of kilometers (miles) from Mosul.

The IS-run Aamaq news agency posted a video online that it said showed fighters attacking a military position on Sunday north of Rutba.

Over the past week, Iraqi and Kurdish forces have been battling IS in a belt of mostly uninhabited towns and villages to the north, east and south of Mosul, pushing to within 9 kilometers (5 1/2 miles) of the city.

On Monday, Iraqi special forces began shelling IS positions before dawn near the town of Bartella, said Maj. Gen. Haider al-Obeidi. Bartella, a historically Christian town 15 kilometers (9 miles) to the east of Mosul, was retaken by Iraqi special forces last week.

Shortly afterward, a convoy of special forces advanced toward the village of Tob Zawa, encountering roadside bombs and trading heavy fire with the militants. Loudspeakers on the Humvees blared Iraqi patriotic music as they pushed toward the village.

The campaign to retake Mosul comes after months of planning and involves more than 25,000 Iraqi troops, Kurdish forces, Sunni tribal fighters and state-sanctioned Shiite militias. It is expected to take weeks, if not months, to drive IS out of Iraq's second largest city, which is still home to more than a million people.

The militants captured Mosul in the summer of 2014, when they swept across much of northern and western Iraq. IS has suffered a series of setbacks over the past year, and Mosul is its last major urban

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bastion in Iraq.

Krauss reported from Baghdad. Associated Press writers Sinan Salaheddin in Baghdad, Maamoun Youssef in Cairo and Bassem Mroue in Beirut contributed to this report.

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## 10 Things to Know for Today

By The Associated Press

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

### 1. LIMITED GAINS IN FIRST WEEK OF MOSUL OFFENSIVE

Iraqi forces push toward the city from all sides, battling militants near the Islamic State stronghold in a belt of mostly uninhabited towns and villages.

### 2. FRANCE MOVING MORE THAN 6,000 MIGRANTS

Lines of refugees walk to a registration center in the French port city of Calais, the first day of the mass evacuation and destruction of the filthy camp.

### 3. HOW ASSANGE IS CLOSER TO TESTING HIS HYPOTHESIS

With email dumps exposing the Clinton campaign, the WikiLeaks founder is waiting to see if total transparency can defeat an entrenched group of insiders.

### 4. HOW DEADLY TOUR BUS CRASH HAPPENED

A tour bus returning to Los Angeles from a casino trip slams into the back of a semi-truck slowing for a maintenance crew on a California highway, killing 13 and injuring 31.

### 5. TEEN FIGHTS ON AFTER BEING FELLED IN CHICAGO'S VIOLENCE

In a bloody year of more than 3,000 shootings in the city, one bullet has transformed the life of Jonathan Annicks.

### 6. MEDICAID EXPANDS UNDER OBAMA

But the federal-state program for low-income people faces real consequences depending on who wins the White House in November.

### 7. FAMED '60S ANTI-WAR ACTIVIST DIES

Tom Hayden, whose name became linked with the celebrated Chicago 7 trial, Vietnam War protests and ex-wife actress Jane Fonda was 76.

### 8. FOR SOME, RETIREMENT ONLY A DREAM

Studies find that about a third of low-wage workers say they'll never be able to afford to quit working.

### 9. BILL MURRAY FETED WITH TWAIN PRIZE FOR HUMOR

Jimmy Kimmel and Steve Martin are among those who rib the comedian for being aloof, unpredictable and difficult to reach — and somehow still lovable.

### 10. SEAHAWKS, CARDINALS KICKING THEMSELVES

Seattle's Stephen Hauschka and Arizona's Chandler Catanzaro miss short field goals that would have won the game in overtime and the NFC West rivals settle for a 6-6 tie.

## Tom Hayden, famed 1960s anti-war activist, dies at 76

By The Associated Press

SANTA MONICA, Calif. (AP) — Famed '60s anti-war activist Tom Hayden, whose name became forever linked with the celebrated Chicago 7 trial, Vietnam War protests and his ex-wife actress Jane Fonda, has died. He was 76.

He died on Sunday after a long illness, said his wife, Barbara Williams, noting that he suffered a stroke in 2015.

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Hayden, once denounced as a traitor by his detractors, overcame his past and won election to the California Assembly and Senate where he served for almost two decades as a progressive force on such issues as the environment and education. He was the only one of the radical Chicago 7 defendants to win such distinction in the mainstream political world.

He remained an enduring voice against war and spent his later years as a prolific writer and lecturer advocating for reform of America's political institutions.

Los Angeles Mayor Eric Garcetti praised Hayden. "A political giant and dear friend has passed. Tom Hayden fought harder for what he believed than just about anyone I have known. RIP, Tom," Garcetti said Sunday night on his Twitter account.

Hayden wrote or edited 19 books, including "Reunion," a memoir of his path to protest and a rumination on the political upheavals of the '60s.

"Rarely, if ever, in American history has a generation begun with higher ideals and experienced greater trauma than those who lived fully the short time from 1960 to 1968," he wrote.

Hayden was there at the start. In 1960, while a student at the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor, he was involved in the formation of Students for a Democratic Society (SDS), then dedicated to desegregating the South. By 1962, when he began drafting the landmark Port Huron Statement, SDS and Hayden were dedicated to changing the world.

Hayden was fond of comparing the student movement that followed to the American Revolution and the Civil War.

In 1968, he helped organize anti-war demonstrations during the Democratic National Convention in Chicago that turned violent and resulted in the notorious Chicago 7 trial. It began as the Chicago 8 trial, but one defendant, Bobby Seale, was denied the lawyer of his choice, was bound and gagged by the judge and ultimately received a separate trial.

After a circus-like trial, Hayden and three others were convicted of crossing state lines to incite riot. The convictions were later overturned, and an official report deemed the violence "a police riot."

Thomas Emmet Hayden was born Dec. 11, 1939, in Royal Oak, Michigan, to middle-class parents. At Michigan, he took up political causes including the civil rights movement. He wrote fiery editorials for the campus newspaper and contemplated a career in journalism. But upon graduation, he turned down a newspaper job. As he wrote in his memoir, "I didn't want to report on the world; I wanted to change it."

He joined the fledgling Student Non-Violent Coordinating Committee, went freedom-riding during civil rights protests in the South and was beaten and briefly jailed in Mississippi and Georgia. He married a fellow activist, Sandra "Casey" Cason.

Yearning for a more influential role, Hayden returned to Ann Arbor, where he was enlisted by the SDS to draft the Port Huron Statement, a call to action he hoped would spread to the rest of the country.

In 1965, Hayden made his first visit to North Vietnam with an unauthorized delegation. In 1967, he returned to Hanoi with another group and was asked by North Vietnamese leaders to bring three prisoners of war back to the United States.

Firmly committed to the anti-war movement, Hayden participated in sit-ins at Columbia University, then began traveling the country to promote a rally in Chicago for the 1968 Democratic National Convention.

In the interim, a single event galvanized him — the 1968 assassination of his friend, Sen. Robert F. Kennedy, in Los Angeles. "I went from Robert Kennedy's coffin into a very bleak and bitter political view," Hayden told the Associated Press in 1988.

In 1971, Hayden met Jane Fonda, a latecomer to the protest movement. After he heard her give an eloquent anti-war speech in 1972, Hayden said they connected and became a couple. He was divorced from Cason. Fonda was divorced from director Roger Vadim and had a daughter, Vanessa Vadim.

Hayden and Fonda were married for 17 years and had a son, Troy.

With heavy financial support from Fonda, Hayden plunged into California politics in the late 1970s. He formed the Campaign for Economic Democracy and was elected to the Assembly in 1982.

In 1992, Hayden won election to the state Senate advocating for environmental and educational issues.



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By then, he and Fonda were divorced.

Hayden went on to marry actress Barbara Williams, and they had a son, Liam.

In 1994, Hayden was defeated in a run for the state governorship, and he lost a bid to become mayor of Los Angeles.

After leaving public office, Hayden wrote and traveled extensively, lecturing, teaching and speaking out against the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan. He was also an advocate for animals, and in 2012 he lobbied Gov. Jerry Brown to preserve a piece of legislation known as Hayden's Law, which he had authored to protect shelter animals from premature euthanasia.

## US: Philippines' Duterte sparking distress around the world

By JIM GOMEZ, Associated Press

MANILA, Philippines (AP) — America's top diplomat for Asia said Monday that Philippine President Rodrigo Duterte's controversial remarks and a "real climate of uncertainty" about his government's intentions have sparked distress in the U.S. and other countries.

Daniel Russel, the assistant secretary of state for East Asian and Pacific affairs, said he also relayed to Philippine Foreign Secretary Perfecto Yasay Jr. international concern over continuing killings under Duterte's crackdown against illegal drugs.

Russel's visit to the Philippines, part of a three-nation trip to Southeast Asia, comes amid increasing uncertainty about Washington's treaty alliance with Manila. The brash Duterte, who took office on June 30, has displayed antagonism toward America, declaring his desire to scale back military engagements with the U.S. and telling President Barack Obama to "go to hell."

Duterte's administration, however, has not formalized his public declarations to remove U.S. counterterrorism forces from the volatile southern Philippines and stop large-scale joint exercises involving American forces, creating confusion among even his Cabinet officials.

In a major walk-around, Duterte sparked diplomatic alarm when he announced during a state visit to Beijing last week his "separation" with the United States. Upon returning home the day after his stunning remarks, Duterte said he did not mean he was severing diplomatic ties with Washington but only wanted to end a foreign policy that's overly oriented toward the U.S.

"I've pointed out to Secretary Yasay that the succession of controversial statements, comments and a real climate of uncertainty about the Philippines' intentions has created consternation in a number of countries, not only in mine," Russel told reporters Monday in Manila after a meeting with Yasay that went overtime.

The unease, Russel said, was also palpable "not only among governments, but also ... in other communities, in the expat Filipino community, in corporation board rooms as well."

"This is not a positive trend," he said, adding that the U.S. remains committed to continuing a solid alliance with and providing assistance to the Philippines, including in fighting the drug menace.

Coinciding with Russel's visit, the U.S. military turned over a refurbished C-130T cargo plane Monday as part of Washington's effort to help modernize the underfunded Philippine military, which has struggled to deal with Muslim and communist insurgencies and natural disasters.

Outgoing U.S. Ambassador Philip Goldberg said at the turnover ceremony that the U.S. was trying to clarify Duterte's remarks in relation to existing policies, including their impact on planned joint military exercises. Despite the concerns, Goldberg said the U.S. rebalance to Asia would proceed.

"It's a historical relationship, it has its ups and downs," Goldberg told reporters. While he remains optimistic, Goldberg said "some of the language we've heard is inconsistent with that friendship."

Asked if joint combat exercises with the Americans would continue despite Duterte's declared opposition to them, Yasay could not give a categorical answer to reporters.

Duterte wanted the joint combat drills to enable the Philippines "to be self-reliant in our defensive requirements," Yasay said. "If this will not be achieved, (Duterte) said then, there's no purpose of proceeding with these."

Patrolling the China-held Scarborough Shoal with the U.S. Navy, for example, can send a signal that it's a deterrent against bad Chinese intentions. "It has precisely resulted in both parties digging in and made

a peaceful resolution of the disputes even farthest from achieving," Yasay said.

Russel said that while Washington welcomes the relaxation of tensions between Manila and Beijing under Duterte, the rapprochement should not come at the expense of the U.S. or other nations.

"It's a mistake to think that improved relations between Manila and Beijing somehow come at the expense of the United States," he said. "This should be addition and not subtraction."

## With email dumps, WikiLeaks tests power of full transparency

By RAPHAEL SATTER, AP Cybersecurity Writer

LONDON (AP) — WikiLeaks founder Julian Assange first outlined the hypothesis nearly a decade ago: Can total transparency defeat an entrenched group of insiders?

"Consider what would happen," Assange wrote in 2006, if one of America's two major parties had their emails, faxes, campaign briefings, internal polls and donor data all exposed to public scrutiny.

"They would immediately fall into an organizational stupor," he predicted, "and lose to the other."

A decade later, various organs of the Democratic Party have been hacked; several staffers have resigned and Democratic presidential candidate Hillary Clinton has seen the inner workings of her campaign exposed to the public, including disclosures calling into question her positions on trade and Wall Street and her relationship with the party's left. Many of these emails have been released into the public domain by WikiLeaks.

Some see the leaks as a sign that Assange has thrown his lot in with Republican rival Donald Trump or even with Russia. But others who've followed Assange over the years say he's less interested in who wins high office than in exposing — and wearing down — the gears of political power that grind away behind the scenes.

"He tends not to think about people, he thinks about systems," said Finn Brunton, an assistant professor at New York University who has tracked WikiLeaks for years. "What he wants to do is interfere with the machinery of government regardless of who is in charge."

WikiLeaks' mission was foreshadowed 10 years ago in "Conspiracy as Governance," a six-page essay Assange posted to his now-defunct blog.

In the essay, Assange described authoritarian governments, corporations, terrorist organizations and political parties as "conspiracies" — groups that hoard secret information to win a competitive advantage over the general public. Leaks cut these groups open like a double-edged knife, empowering the public with privileged information while spreading confusion among the conspirators themselves, he said. If leaking were made easy, Assange argued, conspiratorial organizations would be gripped by paranoia, leaving transparent groups to flourish.

When the group published 250,000 U.S. State Department cables in 2010, it helped launch a multimillion-dollar quest to unmask insider threats at home while causing problems for U.S. diplomats overseas. The recent leaks have affected the Democratic National Committee in much the same way, with staffers advised to use caution when communicating about sensitive topics.

Clinton supporters say Assange is targeting her out of partisan bias. U.S. intelligence officials believe Russia is behind the hacks to interfere in the U.S. election.

"Wouldn't it be good reading to see internal discussions (about) Trump's taxes?" Clinton Press Secretary Brian Fallon tweeted recently. "Wikileaks isn't targeting Trump. That tells you something."

It's possible that malicious sources are using WikiLeaks for their own ends, said Lisa Lynch, an associate professor at Drew University who has also followed Assange's career. But she noted that a lifetime far from public service and an aversion to email make Trump a more difficult target.

"If Trump had a political career, he'd be more available for Wikileaks," she said.

Assange did not return messages seeking comment, but he has described allegations that he's in the service of the Kremlin as a conspiracy theory and has denied picking sides in the U.S. electoral contest.

He has targeted Republican politicians in the past; in the run-up to the 2008 election his group published the contents of vice presidential candidate Sarah Palin's inbox. Her reaction at the time anticipated the

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Democrats' outrage today.

"What kind of a creep would break into a person's files, steal them, read them, then give them to the press to broadcast all over the world to influence a presidential campaign?" Palin wrote in her autobiography, "Going Rogue."

In fact, Assange has long tried to influence presidential campaigns. In 2007, WikiLeaks published a long-suppressed corruption report ahead of Kenya's national elections. It unleashed a wave of anger and, Assange oftenboasts , swung the vote.

In reality, the publication barely played a role in Kenya, according to Nic Cheesman, an associate professor of African politics at Oxford University. And it's not clear whether the recent WikiLeaks revelations will fare differently. Clinton has a commanding lead in the polls despite the leaks.

Still, Assange appears game to try. Between the DNC emails and the inbox of Clinton campaign chairman John Podesta's messages, his organization has published 46,000 messages from some of the most powerful people in Democratic politics. More is coming. When one Twitter user noted that WikiLeaks had not published any of Podesta's emails dating past March 21, WikiLeaks responded .

"Well spotted," it said. "Something to look forward to."

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## Clinton aides suggested email jokes, say hacked messages

By LAURIE KELLMAN, Associated Press

WASHINGTON (AP) — Hacked emails from the personal account of Hillary Clinton's top campaign official show her aides considered inserting jokes about her private email server into her speeches at several events — and at least one joke made it into her remarks.

"I love it," she told a dinner in Iowa on August 14, 2015, noting she had opened an online account with Snapchat, which deletes posts automatically. "Those messages disappear all by themselves."

The crack scored a laugh from the audience, but the issue was plenty serious. About a month earlier, news broke of an FBI investigation into whether some of the emails that passed through Clinton's unsecured server contained classified information. Ultimately, the agency criticized Clinton for being reckless with classified information but declined to prosecute her.

But hacked emails of John Podesta, Clinton's top campaign official, show the Democratic candidate and her team were slow to grasp the seriousness of the controversy, initially believing it might blow over after one weekend. It did not, and became the most recent example of a penchant for secrecy that has fueled questions about Clinton's trustworthiness, which she has acknowledged has been a political challenge.

The joke was included in hacked emails that WikiLeaks began releasing earlier this month, saying they included years of messages from accounts used by Podesta. Podesta warned that messages may have been altered or edited to inflict political damage, but has not pointed to any specifics.

Almost from the moment The Associated Press on March 3, 2015, called the campaign for comment on its breaking story that Clinton had been running a private server to five months later, campaign aides sought venues on Clinton's schedule where she could show some humor over the issue, according to the hacked emails.

In a series of emails on March 3, 2015 — the same day The Associated Press called for comment — staffers tossed around the idea of making jokes about the emails at a dinner hosted by EMILY's List, a political action committee, that evening.

"I wanted to float idea of HRC making a joke about the email situation at the EMILY's List dinner tonight," Jennifer Palmieri, director of communications for Clinton's campaign, wrote at 2:37 p.m., using the candidate's initials. "What do folks think about that?"

The idea got a mostly favorable response at first. "I don't think it's nuts if we can come up with the right thing. But it could also be nuts," replied campaign spokesman Nick Merrill a couple of minutes later.

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"I think it would be good for her to show some humor," added Kristina Schake, now a deputy communications director. "...More jokes are welcome too."

But political consultant Mandy Grunwald nixed the idea after speaking with Jim Margolis, a media adviser to the campaign.

"We don't know what's in the emails, so we are nervous about this," Grunwald wrote to Merrill and Schake at 6:09 p.m. that night. "Might get a big laugh tonight and regret it when content of emails is disclosed."

Clinton's campaign aides also considered using Virginia Gov. Terry McAuliffe's 2015 appearance at the Gridiron Dinner, an annual Washington joke-fest involving journalists and politicians, to try and defuse the email issue. McAuliffe is a longtime confidante and fundraiser for Clinton, and was chairman of her unsuccessful 2008 presidential bid.

"Anyway what do we think about using gridiron to puncture the email story a little," wrote Palmieri, who suggested possible joke topics, including one involving Jeb Bush.

Clinton campaign manager Robby Mook expressed concern, saying reinforcing the idea that Clinton and McAuliffe are close "conjures the 90s stuff" — a reference, to Bill Clinton's two turbulent terms in office. McAuliffe's routine at the Gridiron did not ultimately include the discussed email routine.

Five months later, Hillary Clinton's director of speechwriting, Dan Schwerin, shared a draft of a speech for the annual Iowa political event known as the Wing Ding dinner in an email to colleagues, asking for input.

"I look forward to your feedback. (Also, if anyone has a funny email/server joke, please send it my way)," he wrote on August 13.

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## Limited gains in first week of Iraq's Mosul offensive

By **SUSANNAH GEORGE** and **JOSEPH KRAUSS**, Associated Press

KHAZER, Iraq (AP) — In the week since Iraq launched an operation to retake Mosul from the Islamic State group, its forces have pushed toward the city from the north, east and south, battling the militants in a belt of mostly uninhabited towns and villages.

In the heavily mined approaches to the city, they met with fierce resistance as IS unleashed suicide truck bombs, rockets and mortars. In other areas, the militants retreated, and in at least one village civilians rose up and overthrew them before the troops arrived.

IS meanwhile launched a massive assault on the city of Kirkuk, some 170 kilometers (100 miles) away, killing at least 80 people in two days of clashes in an apparent attempt to divert Iraqi forces.

Here is a look at the main developments during the first week of the offensive:

### TERRITORIAL GAINS

Iraqi special forces captured Bartella, a historically Christian town some 15 kilometers (9 miles) east of Mosul, and celebrated victory by raising the Iraqi flag over its church and ringing the church bell.

The Iraqi army's 9th Division pushed into the nearby town of Hamdaniyah and said it captured the main government compound. To the north, Kurdish forces known as the peshmerga have driven IS out of several villages and, along with Iraqi special forces, have encircled the town of Bashiqa.

Progress has been slower to the south of Mosul, where troops have only advanced to around 50 kilometers (30 miles) from the city. They were hampered over the weekend after IS torched a nearby sulfur plant, sending a cloud of toxic fumes into the air that mingled with smoke from oil wells the militants had lit on fire.

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### U.S. ROLE

The U.S.-led coalition is providing airstrikes and ground support, with more than 100 American soldiers embedded with Iraqi units and hundreds more in staging bases near the front lines. An American soldier



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was killed by a roadside bomb near Bashiqa, marking the first U.S. casualty of the operation.

The peshmerga said Sunday that 25 of its fighters have been killed since the operation began. The Iraqi military has not released any casualty figures. Iraqi and Kurdish forces have asked for more coalition airstrikes, and the Kurds have requested more armored vehicles and roadside bomb detectors. They say most of the fallen peshmerga troops were traveling in unarmored vehicles.

Two Iraqi television reporters have also been killed, one while covering the fighting south of Mosul and the other while covering clashes in Kirkuk

## HUMANITARIAN FALLOUT

The U.N. and aid organizations say some 5,000 civilians have been displaced since the operation began, a tiny fraction of the 1 million people remaining inside Mosul.

Aid groups fear that a mass exodus from the city could overwhelm camps set up around its outskirts, and the Iraqi government has called on Mosul residents to remain in their homes. Aid groups also fear that IS, which has been killing alleged informants in Mosul in recent weeks, may use civilians as human shields.

## TENSIONS WITH TURKEY

The launch of the Mosul operation has aggravated tensions with neighboring Turkey over the presence of some 500 Turkish troops at a base near Bashiqa, where they are training Kurdish and Sunni fighters who are taking part in the offensive.

Baghdad says the troops are there without its permission and has ordered them to leave. Ankara has refused, insisting that it play a role in the Mosul operation. Turkey is closely allied with the Sunni former governor of Ninevah province, where Mosul is the capital, and Kurdish leader Masoud Barzani, both of whom have pressed for greater autonomy from Iraq's Shiite-dominated central government.

U.S. Defense Secretary Ash Carter visited the region in part to try to ease tensions between the two U.S. allies, but did not appear to make much progress, as both sides stood by their demands.

## WHERE WE GO FROM HERE

Iraqi Prime Minister Haider al-Abadi insists the operation is progressing ahead of schedule. But the fight to retake Mosul, Iraq's second-largest city, is expected to take weeks, if not months.

Iraq's army and police are still rebuilding from their humiliating defeat in the summer of 2014, when IS seized Mosul and much of northern and central Iraq in a matter of days. They have struggled in the past to make progress on more than one front simultaneously, and they have only advanced a few kilometers (miles).

As they get closer to the city and take the fight to more populated areas, they will have to rely less on coalition airstrikes and heavy shelling. The militants will have a dense urban environment in which to hide, and they've had two years to prepare.

Krauss reported from Baghdad.

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## 13 killed, 31 hurt in one of California's deadliest wrecks

By ELLIOT SPAGAT and OLGA R. RODRIGUEZ, Associated Press

PALM SPRINGS, Calif. (AP) — A maintenance crew had slowed down traffic on a California highway through the night, and the work had gone on for hours without problems. Then a tour bus returning to Los Angeles from a casino trip slammed into the back of a semi-truck. Passengers who were asleep on the bus woke up to loud screams and the sound of crushing metal.

The gambling jaunt ended in one of the deadliest wrecks in California history with 13 people killed and

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31 others injured.

Authorities said the bus was going much faster than the truck, causing it to plow about 15 feet into the truck on Interstate 10 just north of the desert resort town of Palm Springs.

"You can see it was a substantial impact," California Highway Patrol Border Division Chief Jim Abele said.

It was not known if alcohol, drugs or fatigue played a role in the crash, but the bus was inspected in April and had no mechanical issues, Abele said. The bus driver was killed, and the truck driver received minor injuries.

The bus was coming from Red Earth Casino in the desert town of Thermal and was about 35 miles into its 135-mile trip back to Los Angeles.

CHP officers had been slowing traffic to allow utility workers to string wires across the freeway, Abele said.

Passengers told officials that most people were asleep when the crash occurred shortly after 5 a.m. Abele said it appeared the 1996 bus didn't have seat belts and likely didn't have data recorder that would reveal how fast the bus was traveling and whether the driver braked before impact.

"I was awakened by the sounds of people screaming for help," passenger Ana Car, 61, told the Los Angeles Times. "I noticed a heavysset woman lying in the center aisle to my right yelling, 'My legs! My legs!'"

Before April, the bus also was inspected in 2014 and 2015, the CHP said. Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration records show it had no crashes in the past two years and had a satisfactory safety rating.

The front of the bus crumpled into the semi-truck's trailer and debris was scattered across the key route through Southern California. Firefighters used ladders to climb into the bus' windows to remove bodies, and tow trucks lifted the trailer to make it easier to reach the bus, whose front end was demolished.

Fourteen patients were sent to Desert Regional Medical Center in Palm Springs, the area's only trauma center. Four remained in critical condition Sunday evening, two were transferred to other hospitals for continuing treatment and the rest were treated and released, hospital officials said.

Many suffered facial injuries, a telltale sign they were not wearing seat belts, said Dr. Ricard Townsend, a trauma surgeon.

"It seemed as though most of the victims were unrestrained and were therefore flown through the air and ended up sustaining facial trauma," he said.

Two other hospitals received patients with minor injuries.

The tour bus company, USA Holiday, has one vehicle and one driver, according to federal regulators. A call to the company was not immediately returned.

The company says on social media that it has more than 25 years of experience traveling to casinos in Southern California. It posts about quick turnaround trips leaving the Los Angeles area to casinos in the Southern California desert area and Las Vegas.

The bus owner's neighbor said she'd often see a tour bus with the sign "USA Holiday" parked on the street in front of his apartment in a working-class neighborhood in Alhambra, about 7 miles east of downtown Los Angeles.

Sonia Anderson said the family who lived there — a man, woman and their college student son — had lived in the apartment for about 17 years. She said the father generally drove the bus and his wife and son would sometimes travel on the bus with him.

Anderson described them as a kind, close-knit family. "All three of them are hard-working people. Good people. Beautiful family," she said.

The father was "always working, coming in and out, providing for his family," Anderson said.

The National Transportation Safety Board is sending a team to California to investigate.

The crash comes two years after a FedEx truck veered across an interstate median north of Sacramento and slammed into a bus full of high school students, killing 10 people.

In 1963, 32 Mexican farm workers who were in the Central Valley as part of a work visa program were killed when a freight train struck the flatbed truck they were riding on. In 1976, a bus carrying the Yuba City high school choir plunged off a freeway ramp in Martinez, killing 28 students and one teacher.

Rodriguez reported from San Francisco. Associated Press writer Courtney Bonnell in Phoenix and Daisy Nguyen in Los Angeles contributed to this story.

## Bryant, Baez and other young Cubs critical in title chase

By ANDREW SELIGMAN, AP Sports Writer

CHICAGO (AP) — Kris Bryant says he gets chills every time the fans at Wrigley Field shower him with “MVP!” chants.

The 24-year-old just doesn’t show it — a common trait among his young teammates. If anything can overwhelm these kid Cubbies, they haven’t faced it yet.

Bryant was one of five players 24 or younger in the starting lineup for the Cubs during Game 6 of the NL Championship Series, and that group is showing maturity beyond its years. Keep this up, and they could give Chicago a party generations in the making.

Bryant has already established himself as one of the game’s top power hitters. Javier Baez (23 years old) made one spectacular play after another in the infield while winning NLCS co-MVP. Addison Russell (22) is an All-Star shortstop with power and Gold Glove aspirations. Catcher Willson Contreras (24) and outfielder Albert Almora Jr. (22) are rookies getting at-bats with a heavy World Series favorite.

And so the Cubs are seeking their first championship since 1908 fueled by players too young to remember the first time a Clinton vied for the U.S. presidency.

Chicago beat the Los Angeles Dodgers in the NLCS for its first pennant since 1945, and now faces the Cleveland Indians in the World Series with a chance to end the sport’s longest title drought.

If Chicago’s youngsters feel any jitters before Game 1 on Tuesday night in Cleveland, don’t expect to see them.

“Our young players are playing like they’re 32-year-old veterans,” 2015 NL Cy Young Award winner Jake Arrieta said. “It’s just fun to watch. I get to play one out of every five days, but to really see the way our guys go about taking care of business makes me really appreciate the guys I’m able to play with.”

Bryant and the other burgeoning Cubs helped Chicago lead the majors with 103 wins in the regular season, and it’s been more of the same in October. After pulling out 14 victories in their final at-bat during the regular season, the Cubs did it twice against San Francisco in the NL Division Series, then rallied from a 2-1 series deficit to beat the Dodgers.

Veterans like Jon Lester have done their part, but the younger players have had plenty of pivotal moments, too.

None more so than Baez, a breakout star this postseason with his lightning-quick tags and preternatural decision making in the field.

He shared NLCS MVP honors with Lester after leading the Cubs to their 17th pennant and is batting .342 this postseason. He hit a winning homer off Johnny Cueto in Game 1 of the NLDS against San Francisco, then had a go-ahead single in the series-clinching victory in Game 4. He had four doubles and five RBIs in the NLCS, too.

Baez’s biggest moments, though, mostly came outside the batter’s box. He stole home during Chicago’s win in Game 1 of the NLCS, turned a heads-up double play by letting a soft liner bounce in front of him with two on in Game 2, and made a fantastic barehanded scoop to rob Adrian Gonzalez of a hit in Game 5.

Baez is doing all that after emerging as a super utility player for manager Joe Maddon this season. Baez cut down on his swing and hit .273 with 14 homers and 59 RBIs in 142 games, and as important, he embraced a role shuffling between positions.

“This guy never faltered,” Lester said. “He accepted his role as being a bench player and kind of a platoon guy. That’s hard to do at 20 or whatever he is.”

Bryant is on the short list of NL MVP candidates after joining Rogers Hornsby (1929), Hack Wilson (1930) and Derrek Lee (2005) as the only players with the franchise to get at least 120 runs, 35 doubles, 39 homers and 100 RBIs. He’s 13 for 39 with a homer and six RBIs in the postseason.

Russell is only starting to make an impact in October, busting a 1-for-24 slump by going 6 for 13 with two homers in the final three games of the NLCS. Contreras, meanwhile, hit his first career playoff homer

against Clayton Kershaw in the series clincher.

"You should not change what you're doing regardless of the time of the year," Maddon said after Game 6. "You want to come out in the middle of October and play the same game we've been playing all summer."

The youngsters have given the Cubs a lot of good games so far. Four more, and as Maddon said, "We can really have a party."

## Bill Murray accepts humor prize after gentle roast

By BEN NUCKOLS, Associated Press

WASHINGTON (AP) — In an evening filled with jokes about Bill Murray's elusiveness and quirky personality, it was David Letterman who provided the most touching moment as Murray was honored with the nation's top prize for comedy.

Murray, 66, received the Mark Twain Prize for American Humor on Sunday night at the Kennedy Center, joining several other "Saturday Night Live" alumni to win the annual award. After he was presented with a bust of Mark Twain, Murray handed it to a man in the first row of the audience and urged the crowd to pass it around.

Known for living outside the Hollywood bubble, Murray admitted he was uncomfortable sitting in a box with his family while more than a dozen of his co-stars and collaborators spoke warmly about his body of work.

"It's really hard to listen to all those people be nice to you for two days," Murray said. "You just get real suspicious."

His acceptance speech followed a heartfelt tribute by the bearded Letterman, who made a rare public appearance since his late-night show ended last June. Murray was a guest on Letterman's shows 44 times over the years, and the two grew close, even spending time together at Letterman's vacation home in Montana.

After an appearance in 2003, Letterman told Murray that his then-infant son would be christened that weekend. An hour later, Letterman said, a package was delivered to his office containing a handmade Irish linen christening gown.

"That Saturday, my son, in Bill Murray's christening gown, was christened at St. Ignatius in Manhattan, and we have this memory, we have this gift, we have this gesture for the rest of our lives," Letterman said.

There were plenty of laughs at Murray's expense in evening that took on the tone of a gentle roast. Jimmy Kimmel, Aziz Ansari, Sigourney Weaver and Steve Martin were among those who ribbed Murray for being aloof, unpredictable and difficult to reach — and somehow still lovable.

"I think you and I are about as close as two people can be, considering that one of them is you," Martin said in a video tribute.

The show, which was taped for broadcast Friday on PBS, had one major stumble, courtesy of Miley Cyrus, who cursed repeatedly and made an excuse about smoking too many cigarettes after she botched the lyrics to a version of "My Way." Despite not having a microphone, Murray came to her rescue, joking with the crowd from his seat as Cyrus and the crew set up for a second attempt at the song, which went more smoothly.

After getting his break on "Saturday Night Live," Murray went on to star in some of the most successful comedies of the 1980s and 1990s before transitioning into more dramatic roles. He was nominated for an Oscar for his soulful turn as a washed-up actor in Sofia Coppola's "Lost in Translation."

He's become a folk hero in the social-media era by turning up unannounced at wedding receptions, kick-ball games and house parties. He's also a regular at Chicago Cubs games and celebrity golf tournaments.

This weekend, he got to meet President Barack Obama. And what did the two men talk about? "Putting," Murray said before the show.

Murray lives in South Carolina, doesn't have an agent or a publicist and rarely does in-depth videos. He famously forces people offering him scripts to call an 800 number and leave a voicemail. He said he would have been happy to skip the festivities surrounding the prize, especially if his beloved Chicago Cubs hadn't



already advanced to the World Series.

"If this could all have been done in a letter that I received, that would have been enough," Murray told The Associated Press on the red carpet. "It's hard to stand still for this. It's a squirm-a-thon for me."

The prize was first awarded in 1998 and goes to those who influence society in the tradition of Samuel Clemens, the writer, satirist and social commentator better known as Mark Twain. Other "Saturday Night Live" alumni who've received it include Tina Fey, Will Ferrell and last year's winner, Eddie Murphy.

In his speech, Murray — the fifth of nine children — also paid tribute to his older brother, Brian Doyle-Murray, who helped him get his start in improvisational theater. His brother had to be the breadwinner for the family after their father died, and Murray said it took courage for Brian to pursue his dreams.

"My brother had more guts than anyone I ever knew, and the only reason I'm here tonight is because of the guts of my brother Brian," Murray said. "He's been waiting a long time to hear that."

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## Looking past Trump, Clinton aims to help other Democrats

By **JOSH LEDERMAN** and **CATHERINE LUCEY**, Associated Press

DURHAM, N.C. (AP) — Newly confident and buoyant in the polls, Hillary Clinton is looking past Donald Trump while widening her mission to include helping Democrats seize the Senate and chip away at the Republican-controlled House.

Though Trump's campaign insisted Sunday it was premature to count him out, it's Clinton whose path to winning the White House has only grown wider in the race's final weeks. Even longtime Republican strongholds such as Utah and Arizona suddenly appear within her reach on Nov. 8, enticing Democrats to campaign hard in territory they haven't won for decades.

The shifting political map has freed Clinton and her well-funded campaign to spend time and money helping other Democrats in competitive races. Clinton said she didn't "even think about responding" to Trump anymore and would instead spend the final weeks on the road "emphasizing the importance of electing Democrats down the ballot."

"We're running a coordinated campaign, working hard with gubernatorial, Senate and House candidates," said Robby Mook, Clinton's campaign manager.

And for good reason.

After a merciless two-year campaign, the next president will face the daunting task of governing a bitterly divided nation. If Clinton wins, her prospects for achieving her goals will be greatly diminished unless her victory is accompanied by major Democratic gains in Congress.

"We've got to do the hard and maybe most important work of healing, healing our country," Clinton said Sunday at Union Baptist Church in Durham, North Carolina.

For Democrats, there's another reason to try to run up the score. With Trump warning he may contest the race's outcome if he loses, Clinton's campaign is hoping for an overwhelming Democratic victory that would undermine any attempt by Trump to claim the election had been stolen from him.

In a rare admission of fallibility by the typically boastful Trump, his campaign acknowledged he's trailing Clinton as Election Day nears.

"We are behind," Trump campaign manager Kellyanne Conway said. Still, she added, "We're not giving up. We know we can win this."

Conway laid out in granular detail Trump's potential path to winning: victories in Florida, Iowa, North Carolina, Nevada and Ohio, to start. If Trump prevents Arizona and Georgia from falling to Democrats and adds in some combination of Colorado, Virginia, New Hampshire and Pennsylvania, he could reach the 270 electoral votes needed, Conway said.

It won't be easy. A current Associated Press analysis of polling, demographic trends and other campaign data rates Virginia as solidly Democratic, while Colorado, New Hampshire and Pennsylvania are all leaning Democratic. Arizona, remarkably, is a toss-up.

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Campaigning Sunday in Florida, Trump called for voters to elect a Republican House and Senate that would “swiftly enact” his priorities, which include overhauling taxes, restoring higher spending on defense and repealing the Affordable Care Act.

“We can enact our whole plan in the first 100 days — and we will,” Trump said.

If Clinton wins, Democrats would need a net gain of four Senate seats to retake the majority. House control would be much harder. Democrats would need a 30-seat gain, a feat they haven’t accomplished in roughly four decades.

Clinton’s nascent focus on helping fellow Democrats comes with an inherent contradiction. For months, she deliberately avoided the strategy employed by other Democrats of trying to saddle all Republicans with an unpopular Trump. In August, she said Trump represented the “radical fringe,” rather than the mainstream of the Republican Party.

“We have not run this campaign as a campaign against the GOP with the big broad brush — we’ve run it against Donald Trump,” Clinton’s running mate, Tim Kaine, said in a weekend interview with The Associated Press.

Andrea Bozek of the National Republican Senatorial Committee, the Senate GOP’s campaign arm, said Clinton’s last-minute push to aid Democrats was insufficient to make up for her party’s shortfalls in recruiting competitive candidates this year.

“Democrats have relied on political gravity from the presidential race to carry them across the finish line,” Bozek said.

Indeed, as Clinton campaigned in North Carolina, where Democrats hope to unseat GOP Sen. Richard Burr, Clinton’s argument appeared to rest on the hopes that voters offended by Trump would vote against Burr, too. She said Democratic candidate and American Civil Liberties Union lawyer Deborah Ross knows that Trump “is wrong for America.”

“Unlike her opponent, Deborah has never been afraid to stand up to Donald Trump,” Clinton said.

Still, Clinton’s campaign said she remained intent on reaching out to GOP voters and was specifically targeting Republican politicians who haven’t denounced Trump. Campaign spokesman Brian Fallon said the policies Clinton has prioritized for her first 100 days “are ones that Republicans should have every reason to work with us on.”

Clinton isn’t the only Democrat putting a premium on down-ballot races. President Barack Obama flew to Nevada on Sunday to campaign for Clinton and Senate candidate Catherine Cortez Masto before heading to California to raise money for House Democrats.

In Nevada, Obama went after Cortez Masto’s Republican opponent, Rep. Joe Heck. Heck said he couldn’t support Trump after a 2005 tape surfaced of Trump using vulgar, predatory language about women. But Obama said GOP candidates were simply reacting to Trump’s slipping poll numbers.

“Too late. You don’t get credit for that,” Obama said.

He and Vice President Joe Biden have recorded ads, raised money and campaigned in person for dozens Democratic candidates this year.

Mook spoke on CNN’s “State of the Union.” Conway spoke on “Fox News Sunday” and NBC’s “Meet the Press.”

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Lederman reported from Washington. AP Polling Director Emily Swanson in Washington, and AP writers Jill Colvin in Naples, Florida; Kevin Freking in Las Vegas; Kathleen Ronayne in Boston and Alan Suderman in Gainesville, Florida, contributed to this report.

## Haitian authorities recapture a dozen of 172 escaped inmates

By DIEU NALIO CHERY, Associated Press

ARCAHAIE, Haiti (AP) — Police officers were searching cars and boats for escaped prisoners on Sunday after recapturing at least a dozen of the 172 inmates who overpowered guards and fled from a lockup in central Haiti, the prison’s director said.

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The prison break occurred Saturday in Arcahaie, a coastal town about 30 miles north of Haiti's capital. The community is far from the southwest area that was slammed by Hurricane Matthew's eye earlier this month.

One guard was reported killed and an inmate died following a bad fall while trying to scale a prison wall. Haitian National Police officers set up numerous checkpoints along roads to search vehicles. Small boats in fishing towns around Arcahaie were also being checked.

Heurtelou Paul Colson, director of the Arcahaie Prison, said the lockup housed 266 inmates.

Justice Minister Camille Edward Junior told Haiti's biggest newspaper, The Nouvelliste, that the alleged mastermind of the escape, convicted kidnapper Yvener Carelus, was among the men captured after the prison break.

"He planned the escape from the inside with a few accomplices," the minister was quoted as saying.

Prime Minister Enex Jean-Charles said the interim government has given clear instructions to the justice minister to "take all necessary measures to remedy this unacceptable situation."

Judge Henry Claude Louis-Jean said Saturday that the escapees stole an unknown number of weapons and some exchanged gunfire with police during the chaotic breakout.

The inmates attacked after they were released from a cramped holding pen to bathe, according to provincial authorities.

After the escape, the body of the dead corrections officer was sprawled on the ground and bullet holes marked the prison's main door. Inside, the wrought iron cell doors had been thrown open and sandals and clothing were scattered about. Authorities held a prisoner who tried to flee.

Haitian prisons are notoriously overcrowded and many inmates spend years in pre-trial detention. It wasn't immediately clear how many of the escaped inmates in Arcahaie were convicted of serious crimes and how many were awaiting trial.

Police asked jittery residents of the coastal area to follow authorities' instructions during the manhunt.

The U.S. Embassy advised all American citizens to avoid the area.

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Associated Press photographer Dieu Nalio Chery reported from Arcahaie. AP writer David McFadden contributed from Port-au-Prince.

## Pentagon chief in Irbil for closer assessment of Mosul fight

By LOLITA C. BALDOR, Associated Press

IRBIL, Iraq (AP) — U.S. Defense Secretary Ash Carter visited Irbil on Sunday for a closer assessment of the fight against the Islamic State group in northern Iraq and to hear from Kurdish leaders whose forces launched a new offensive in the operation to wrest Mosul from the militants.

Carter met with Kurdish leader Masoud Barzani, as well as U.S. service members, who are not far from the battle. The Pentagon chief said Barzani reported some good news about peshmerga gains against IS in Bashiqa, about 15 miles (24 kilometers) northeast of Mosul.

Lt. Gen. Stephen Townsend, the top U.S. commander in Iraq, told reporters that the information he has gathered suggests Barzani was correct and that there has been "considerable success" in the town. Townsend said he didn't know whether any fighting was still going on in the town center and whether every house had been cleared, but he largely confirmed the peshmerga's success and said the Kurdish forces merit recognition for their success.

Carter said he wants to see military operations to isolate IS fighters in Raqqa, Syria, to begin "as soon as possible." He said there will be simultaneous operations in Mosul and Raqqa, and that the United States would coordinate in Raqqa with its partners. The U.S. has been working with Syrian rebel fighters.

Townsend said the U.S.-led coalition has had success killing IS leaders, which helps with the Raqqa fight.

During the meeting with Barzani, Carter praised the efforts of the Kurdish forces, known as peshmerga, and acknowledged their battle losses.

"They fight extremely well. But because they're fighting hard, they suffer ... casualties," said Carter, who spent Saturday in Baghdad getting updates from his military leadership and meeting with Iraqi Prime

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Minister Haider al-Abadi. The U.S. is prepared to provide additional support for the fight if requested by Iraq and U.S. commanders, Carter said in the capital.

Peshmerga Brig. Gen. Halgord Hekmet, a spokesman for the Kurdish forces, told reporters that 25 of their troops have been killed since the battle to retake Mosul began and a "large number" had been wounded. Speaking through an interpreter, he said the peshmerga have had good coalition air support, but could use more military resources, especially armored vehicles.

He said that most of the fallen peshmerga were riding in regular cars and were more vulnerable. A second priority, he said, would be more devices to help detect roadside bombs.

The peshmerga are advancing toward Mosul from the north in long columns of armored vehicles and other trucks. More than 100 U.S. special operations forces are embedded with the Kurds and Iraqi military commandos. Irbil is about 55 miles (90 kilometers) southeast of Mosul.

Mosul is a Sunni majority town, and many worry about the involvement of government-sanctioned Shiite fighters. But they also are suspicious about the Kurds, who have ambitions to expand their self-rule area into parts of Ninevah province, where Mosul is located — although not to the city itself.

U.S. military officials say the peshmerga will stop their advance about 20 miles (30 kilometers) outside of Mosul and hold that territory to ensure the militants don't regroup. Shiite militias have said they will not enter the city itself.

Carter fueled debate in Iraq on Friday when he met with Turkish leaders and suggested their country should play a role in the Mosul battle. On Saturday, al-Abadi balked at that idea, saying his country's own forces will oust IS from the city.

Some 500 Turkish troops at a base north of Mosul have been training Sunni and Kurdish fighters since December. The Iraqi government says the troops are there without permission and has called on them to withdraw. Turkey has refused and insists it will play a role in liberating the city.

IS captured Mosul and the surrounding area during a lightning advance across northern Iraq in the summer of 2014.

## Clinton takes fight to Arizona, long a Republican bastion

By THOMAS BEAUMONT, Associated Press

PHOENIX (AP) — There is palpable momentum for Democrat Hillary Clinton in Arizona, a state so traditionally Republican that her party's nominee for president has carried it just once in the past 64 years.

Encouraged by Donald Trump's failure to unite the GOP in Arizona, long-hungry Democrats are scrambling to capitalize in the campaign's final weeks. Should they succeed, the loss of Arizona and its 11 electoral votes would further complicate Trump's narrow path to reaching the 270 threshold to win the presidency.

"This year, we know it's much closer here in this state," Michelle Obama told supporters at a rally for Clinton in Phoenix on Thursday. Campaign volunteers weaved through the crowd, asking supporters to donate time to call voters and knock on doors.

"Just look around this room," the first lady told the crowd of several thousand. "Each of you has the power to swing an entire precinct and win this election for Hillary just by getting yourselves, your families and your friends to vote. You've got the power."

Clinton and Trump have focused their travel and advertising on the few states that have made the difference in recent elections — chiefly Ohio, Florida and North Carolina. But with preference polls tightening in Arizona, Clinton's campaign sees the state as a late addition to the list of closely contested states.

The campaign has poured \$2 million into television advertising in Arizona and sent out Mrs. Obama, the brightest star on Clinton's team of stand-ins. Her appearance capped a week that included campaign stops in Arizona by Clinton's daughter, Chelsea, and Clinton's former primary rival, Vermont Sen. Bernie Sanders.

"It is possible to win it, but it is going to be razor-thin there," Clinton campaign manager Robby Mook told CNN's "State of the Union" on Sunday.

The momentum in Arizona was evident at the first lady's event, held in the same venue where Trump drew a much smaller crowd to a rally where he reaffirmed his hard-line position on immigration, which is



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unpopular among Arizona's Hispanic community.

That was Trump's last visit to Arizona, more than seven weeks ago. Since then, the billionaire businessman's struggles have done him no favors in the state.

GOP Sen. John McCain, running for re-election, withdrew his endorsement after the revelation that Trump made sexually predatory comments about women in 2005. This past week, McCain, the 2008 Republican presidential nominee, further denounced Trump after Trump refused to say at the final presidential debate that he would accept the results of the election. Doing so, McCain said in a statement, "is every American leader's first responsibility."

Sen. Jeff Flake, R-Ariz., went further. One of the most high-profile GOP opponents of Trump's candidacy, Flake called Trump's comments "beyond the pale."

Republican Steve Voeller, a strategist and Flake's former chief of staff, said Trump's problems have given Clinton an opening. Voeller isn't ready concede Arizona to Clinton, but he notes that Trump "doesn't have a ground game here."

"For as long as I've been watching this race, it's been within the margin of error," Voeller said. "I also think the trend lines are not good."

John Merrill is an example of Trump's problem. "Usually, I'm locked by now," said the 56-year-old salesman from Goodyear, who said he has never voted for a Democrat. "I have real concerns, concerns about Trump as a person. I'm not fully convinced he has what it takes."

Republicans have an advantage in voter registration in Arizona, but a well-organized push from Democrats has narrowed the gap in the past year.

Hispanic voters, who overwhelmingly vote Democratic, have grown in the state by more than 200,000 since 2010, according to One Arizona, a Hispanic outreach group.

It's possible that the conditions in Arizona could yield similar results for Clinton in Georgia. Republicans have won in seven of the past eight presidential elections there, but polls show a close race.

Or in Missouri, Indiana and Utah, all states carried by Republicans in recent elections.

Clinton's late play for Arizona not only demonstrates her campaign organization's strength and flexibility, but also that she could increase her electoral margin in traditionally Republican places where Trump's candidacy and policy proposals are viewed as out of step with a changing electorate.

"There's no doubt that there's a national trend at play now," said Republican strategist David Kochel, a senior adviser to GOP presidential nominee Mitt Romney in 2012 and Jeb Bush's failed 2016 White House campaign. "The only question now is where is the bottom, and how many good Republicans will be forced to join (Trump) there?"

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## **Emails show Clinton campaign attention to black voters.**

**By DARLENE SUPERVILLE, Associated Press**

WASHINGTON (AP) — Hacked emails from the personal account of Hillary Clinton's top campaign official show some of the attention her team paid to courting black voters.

There were worries about Vermont Sen. Bernie Sanders' appeal to that historically Democratic voter group. There was angst over whether Clinton should give a speech on race relations. Meanwhile, a South Carolina Democratic Party official voiced concerns that Clinton hadn't visited a particular region of the state.

The emails were among hundreds released Saturday by WikiLeaks. The notes were stolen from the email account of John Podesta, the Clinton campaign's chairman, as part of a series of high-profile computer hacks of Democratic targets that U.S. intelligence officials say were orchestrated by Russia, with the intent to influence the Nov. 8 election.

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It was impossible to authenticate each hacked email that WikiLeaks published, but Democrats have openly acknowledged they were hacked and have not pointed to any specific case where an email was altered to inflict political damage.

## SPEECH ON RACE

Clinton's campaign debated whether she should give a speech on race.

Her chief speechwriter, Dan Schwerin, emailed Podesta, communications director Jennifer Palmieri and others in February 2016 to say that, as conceived, the speech would demonstrate Clinton's "sustained and comprehensive commitment" to improving race relations and her lifelong sympathy toward the plight of minorities in the U.S.

Both Bill Clinton and candidate Clinton were clear that the speech shouldn't be "a big mea culpa," but the former president also said "we shouldn't try to defend the indefensible."

Schwerin went on to say that adviser Minyon Moore had raised tough questions about the wisdom of making the speech because it could "unintentionally end up elevating questions that aren't yet being widely asked and introduce new damaging information, especially super predator, to a lot more voters."

In a 1996 speech about Bill Clinton's crime bill when she was first lady, Hillary Clinton described young people in gangs as "super-predators."

Some blacks find the term offensive and have sought during the campaign to hold her accountable for it. Hillary Clinton has said she regrets using the term.

After a "gut check" conversation with Moore and subsequent talks with policy advisers Jake Sullivan and Maya Harris, Schwerin says in the email that the campaign hierarchy is "mostly persuaded" by Moore's concerns. Instead, a decision to push the Supreme Court nomination issue could replace the race speech.

Schwerin ultimately closes his memo with the idea that "if we're slipping fast, maybe it's worth rolling the dice and doing the speech. If we're holding relatively steady, maybe we see if we can ride this out without doing the speech."

Clinton offered a detailed plan to overcome racial disparities in a February speech in Harlem.

## PEE DEE REGION

In an apparent effort to court young African-American voters in South Carolina's Pee Dee region, Hillary Clinton staffers promised Jamie Harrison, the state's Democratic Party chairman, that his area would not be overlooked by Clinton. They also offered up some bold names in black entertainment who could stump for votes.

In a Jan. 28, 2016, email, Brynne Craig, deputy director of State Campaigns for Hillary for America, summarizes a conversation with Harrison, who is unhappy that Clinton hasn't visited the Pee Dee region, the northeastern corner of the state and about 100 miles east of Columbia, the state capital.

Craig says he assured Harrison that such a visit is a top priority for the former first lady, or her husband, former President Bill Clinton. (Clinton visited the region in late February and later won the state's Democratic presidential primary.)

Craig says Harrison also mentioned the need to bring younger surrogates into the state, not just well-known, older politicians. He says he offered Harrison a partial list of black entertainers they've asked to travel to the state, including singer Usher, actors Anthony Anderson and Gabrielle Union, and athletes Alonzo Mourning and Grant Hill.

Craig says, "I feel confident we will be able to increase the amount of surrogates we have in South Carolina - more importantly the RIGHT kind."

## BERNIE SANDERS

Clinton's campaign worried about Bernie Sanders' appeal to black voters, a key Democratic constituency that Clinton counted on.

In a July 2015 email, Podesta frets to other campaign staffers about Sanders, who had challenged Clinton for the Democratic presidential nomination all the way through to the end of the primary process.

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The Vermont senator had built his campaign around an anti-Wall Street, anti-establishment message with strong appeal to progressives

In the email, Podesta says of Sanders: "He'll be at Sharpton rallies pretty soon," referring to civil rights activist Al Sharpton. "Still think we should do something with him on VRA Anniversary."

Sanders visited Dallas and Houston in July 2015 for a series of town-hall meetings in Southern cities to help boost his support.

Clinton called in to Sharpton's nationally syndicated radio show on the 50th anniversary of the Voting Rights Act on Aug. 6 to appeal to blacks to turn out to vote during the primaries. Her subsequent support among blacks in the South helped her gain a big delegate advantage over Sanders.

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## 2 explosions hit Japanese city, killing 1; suicide suspected

TOKYO (AP) — Two apparent explosions hit the Japanese city of Utsunomiya back-to-back Sunday, killing one person and injuring three others in what police are viewing as a possible suicide.

Japanese media reports suggest that the victim, believed to be a 72-year-old former military officer, may have set his house on fire, blown up his car in a public parking lot and then blown himself up in a nearby park.

A note found in the clothing of the badly burned victim included the name of the former officer, Japanese broadcaster NHK and other media reported. The name was not disclosed. One of the cars destroyed in a fiery blaze in the parking lot belonged to the retired military man, and his house burned to the ground earlier on Sunday, the reports said.

The back-to-back loud bangs in the park and parking lot shocked bystanders, many heading to a festival at the park on a sunny autumn day. The apparent blasts occurred around 11:30 a.m. within about 200 meters (yards) of each other. The festival was canceled after the incidents.

Two men were seriously injured in the park explosion, and a 14-year-old boy had minor leg injuries. No one was hurt at the small parking lot.

Kyodo News agency said the burned body was found after police received a call saying a person was on fire following what sounded like an explosion.

Bystanders also reported hearing loud blasts from the parking lot. Flames and black smoke shot into the air and repeated bangs could be heard on video posted on the Asahi newspaper's website. Nearby cars also were damaged.

Utsunomiya, the capital of Tochigi prefecture, is a city of some 500,000 people about 100 kilometers (60 miles) north of Tokyo. It is near the popular tourist destination of Nikko.

### Today in History By The Associated Press

Today in History

Today is Monday, Oct. 24, the 298th day of 2016. There are 68 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Oct. 24, 1962, a naval quarantine of Cuba ordered by President John F. Kennedy went into effect during the missile crisis.

On this date:

In 1537, Jane Seymour, the third wife of England's King Henry VIII, died 12 days after giving birth to Prince Edward, later King Edward VI.

In 1648, the Peace of Westphalia (west-FAY'-lee-uh) ended the Thirty Years War and effectively destroyed the Holy Roman Empire.

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In 1861, the first transcontinental telegraph message was sent by Chief Justice Stephen J. Field of California from San Francisco to President Abraham Lincoln in Washington, D.C., over a line built by the Western Union Telegraph Co.

In 1936, the short story "The Devil and Daniel Webster" by Stephen Vincent Benet was published in The Saturday Evening Post.

In 1939, DuPont began publicly selling its nylon stockings in Wilmington, Delaware. Benny Goodman and His Orchestra recorded their signature theme, "Let's Dance," for Columbia Records in New York.

In 1945, the United Nations officially came into existence as its charter took effect.

In 1952, Republican presidential candidate Dwight D. Eisenhower declared in Detroit, "I shall go to Korea" as he promised to end the conflict. (He made the visit over a month later.)

In 1972, Hall of Famer Jackie Robinson, who'd broken Major League Baseball's color barrier in 1947, died in Stamford, Connecticut, at age 53.

In 1980, the merchant freighter SS Poet departed Philadelphia, bound for Port Said (sah-EED'), Egypt, with a crew of 34 and a cargo of grain; it disappeared en route and has not been heard from since.

In 1991, "Star Trek" creator Gene Roddenberry died in Santa Monica, California, at age 70.

In 1996, TyRon Lewis, 18, a black motorist, was shot to death by police during a traffic stop in St. Petersburg, Florida; the incident sparked rioting. (Officer James Knight, who said that Lewis had lurched his car at him several times, knocking him onto the hood, was cleared by a grand jury and the Justice Department.)

In 2002, authorities apprehended Army veteran John Allen Muhammad and teenager Lee Boyd Malvo near Myersville, Maryland, in the Washington-area sniper attacks. (Malvo was later sentenced to life in prison without the possibility of parole; Muhammad was sentenced to death and executed in 2009.)

Ten years ago: American officials unveiled a timeline for Iraq's Shiite-led government to take specific steps to calm Baghdad and said more U.S. troops might be needed to quell the bloodshed. The St. Louis Cardinals gained a 2-1 World Series edge as they defeated the Detroit Tigers 5-0. (Before Game 3 began, baseball players and owners finalized a five-year collective bargaining agreement.)

Five years ago: President Barack Obama offered mortgage relief to hundreds of thousands of Americans during a visit to Las Vegas. Defense Secretary Leon Panetta, visiting Yokota Air Base in Japan, lashed out at North Korea for "reckless and provocative" acts and criticized China for a secretive expansion of its military power. The Texas Rangers beat the St. Louis Cardinals 4-2 for a 3-2 World Series edge.

One year ago: A motorist plowed into a crowd during the Oklahoma State University homecoming parade, killing four people and injuring dozens more; Adacia Chambers has pleaded not guilty to four counts of second-degree murder. In a video released on Facebook, President Barack Obama called for capping standardized testing at 2 percent of classroom time, saying, "Learning is about so much more than just filling in the right bubble." Actress Maureen O'Hara, 95, died in Boise, Idaho.

Today's Birthdays: Football Hall-of-Famer Y.A. Tittle is 90. Rock musician Bill Wyman is 80. Actor F. Murray Abraham is 77. Movie director-screenwriter David S. Ward is 71. Actor Kevin Kline is 69. Former NAACP President Kweisi Mfume (kwah-EE'-see oom-FOO'-may) is 68. Country musician Billy Thomas (Terry McBride and the Ride) is 63. Actor Doug Davidson is 62. Actor B.D. Wong is 56. Actor Zahn McClarnon is 50. Singer Michael Trent (Americana duo Shovels & Rope) is 39. Rock musician Ben Gillies (Silverchair) is 37. Singer-actress Monica Arnold is 36. Actress-comedian Casey Wilson is 36. Rhythm-and-blues singer Adrienne Bailon (3lw) is 33. Actor Tim Pocock is 31. R&B singer-rapper-actor Drake is 30. Actress Shenae Grimes is 27. Actress Eliza Taylor is 27. Olympic gold medal gymnast Kyla Ross is 20. Actor Hudson Yang is 13.

Thought for Today: "There are three things which the public will always clamor for, sooner or later: namely, Novelty, novelty, novelty." — Thomas Hood, British poet (1799-1845).