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Dems' division, emails roil party

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Democrats who gleefully jeered Republican divisions last week awoke to a political mess of their own making Monday as party unity behind Hillary Clinton proved much harder to secure. Gathering for their convention in Philadelphia, Democrats struggled to shake lingering bitterness among supporters of defeated rival

Bernie Sanders and dealt with the aftermath of a leadership shakeup at the top. The party announced Monday it would kick off its four-day spectacle with speeches from some of its most popular figures. Massachusetts Sen. Elizabeth Warren, a progressive favorite, would deliver the convention keynote. Sanders and first lady Michelle Obama will also take

the stage. The kickoff lineup had long been intended to appeal to the party's restive liberal wing, but that task has become unexpectedly urgent. A trove of embarrassing leaked emails some said reveal an anti-Sanders bias at the supposedly neutral Democratic National Committee has ripped open some barely-healed primary wounds.

It was unclear whether the resignation Sunday of party chief Debbie Wasserman Schultz would be enough to unite the party behind Hillary Clinton. How the emails were stolen hasn't been confirmed, but the Clinton campaign pointed the finger at Russian hackers. "There is a consensus among experts that it is indeed Rus-

sia that is behind this hack of the DNC," Clinton campaign spokesman Brian Fallon told CNN Monday morning, arguing Russia was trying to influence the outcome of the U.S. election. Trump dismissed the suggestion in a tweet: "The joke in town is that Russia leaked the disastrous DNC e-mails, See, DEM, Page 3



Courtesy photo
Providence Dickson, fourth from left, along with her family, delivers donations to Cook Children's Hospital in Fort Worth this past weekend. The 13-year-old opted to give up her birthday presents this year to hold a donation drive for the hospital. Providence's cousin, Graham Leatham, was a patient of Cook for several weeks earlier this year before he passed away from complications of Type 1 Spinal Muscular Atrophy (SMA). He was 7-months-old at the time of his death. Providence wanted to give back to the hospital staff for the kindness they showed to the family when Graham was a patient.

Budget on tap for city council meeting Tuesday

By STEVE REAGAN
Staff Writer

Big Spring City Council members will get their first look at the proposed municipal budget for the coming fiscal year when they meet at 5:30 p.m. Tuesday in council chambers, located at 307 E. Fourth St.

Working off input received from the council earlier this year, City Manager Todd Darden will relay proposed budget details during the meeting. And if Darden and his staff follows that input, the new budget will be very no-frills in nature.

Financial realities point to a leaner-than-usual budget for the coming fiscal year. For starters, the city is expected to see a \$50 million drop in taxable values from the previous fiscal year, and, on top of that, officials are expecting to see a decrease in sales tax revenue, as well. To make financial matters even worse, one of the city's top taxpayers, Western Containers, is expected to close its doors within the next three months.



Darden

"There's no doubt we'll have to be more creative in the coming fiscal year," Darden said. "It's going to be quite a challenge for the staff to present a balanced budget." In fact, the city is facing an operating budget shortfall of approximately \$280,000, he added.

Despite these budgetary constraints, however, council members made it clear that they would prefer to keep spending money, even at a reduced rate, on the city's infrastructure needs, most notably in streets and water and wastewater lines.

"It's going to be a challenge that I hope we don't back down from," District 4 Councilman Steve Waggoner said. "Especially when you're talking about infrastructure, the more you put it off, the more you'll have to do in the future."

Mayor Larry McLellan echoed Waggoner's comments.

"I believe infrastructure needs to be our top priority," he said. "We have to keep chipping away at streets, water lines and wastewater lines ... Let's move forward to make Big Spring a better place to live. Maybe we'll be taking baby steps for the next few years, but at least we'll be moving forward."

The budget and tax rate will not be formally approved until September.

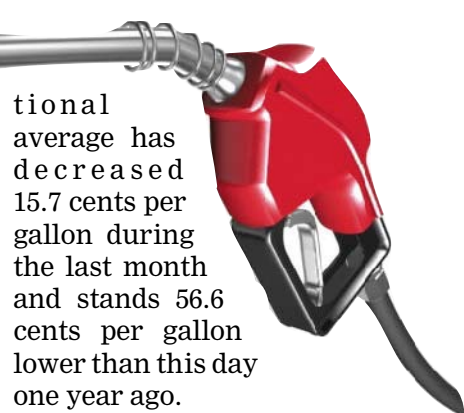
In other business Monday, the council will consider:

- An amendment which would open up membership to the airpark board of directors to all county residents living outside the city limits to serve.
- Award bids for street striping.
- A closed session to consider financial or commercial information the city has received from a business possibly interested in Big Spring operations.

Gas prices fall in Texas, nation

Average retail gasoline prices in Texas have fallen 2.8 cents per gallon in the past week, averaging \$2.00/g yesterday, according to GasBuddy's daily survey of 13,114 gas outlets in Texas. This compares with the national average that has fallen 4.5 cents per gallon in the last week to \$2.15/g, according to gasoline price website GasBuddy.com.

Including the change in gas prices in Texas during the past week, prices yesterday were 50.7 cents per gallon lower than the same day one year ago and are 11.9 cents per gallon lower than a month ago. The na-



tional average has decreased 15.7 cents per gallon during the last month and stands 56.6 cents per gallon lower than this day one year ago.

According to GasBuddy historical data, gasoline prices on July 25 in Texas have ranged widely over the last five years: \$2.50/g in 2015, \$3.40/g in 2014, \$3.54/g in 2013, \$3.35/g in 2012 and \$3.61/g in 2011.

Areas near-by Texas and their current gas price climate: Midland Odessa, \$2.03/g, down 3.7 cents per

gallon from last week's \$2.07/g; San Antonio, \$1.99/g, down 2.4 cents per gallon from last week's \$2.01/g; Austin, \$2.02/g, down 1.6 cents per gallon from last week's \$2.04/g.

"As air temperatures across the country rise to sweltering levels, gas prices have continued to cool," said Patrick DeHaan, senior petroleum analyst for GasBuddy. "Not only are gas prices nationally at their lowest level of the summer, but they have continued to decline as the glut of oil and refined products has persisted. Almost every state saw a decline in gasoline prices versus last week, thanks to crude oil prices approaching their lowest level of the summer."




"I foresee that excluding a major hurricane or other disruption, we are very likely to see many more states with average prices falling under \$2 per gallon by Halloween. Truth be told, however, that really isn't a far stretch considering two out of 5 stations nationally and 11 states are already there," DeHaan added.

For LIVE fuel price averages, visit media.gasbuddy.com.

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Police blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity:

- **ANGEL ENRIQUE HINOJOSA**, 19, of 1501 Stadium was arrested on a charge of driving with a suspended license.
- **ANTHONY MICHAEL STRAIN**, 36, of 1321 Harding St. was arrested on a charge of unauthorized use of a motor vehicle.
- **RUBEN DOMINGUEZ**, 30, of 3207 Auburn was arrested on a warrant for use or possession of illegal smoking material.
- **EDWARD JAMES AUSBIE**, 23, of 1802 Hearn was arrested on a charge of driving with a suspended license.
- **ALEXIS SMITH**, 19, of 1507 Sycamore was arrested on a warrant for theft of property (\$100 to \$750).
- **STEVEN ALEXANDER BOWERS**, 44, of 1700 Horizon Blvd. North in El Paso was arrested

ed on a charge of driving with an invalid license.

- **AARON ABELARDO RODRIGUEZ**, 36, of 501 S. Nolan St. was arrested on a charge of driving while intoxicated.
- **DAVID GARZA JR.**, 30, of 1400 Mesa Ave. was arrested on a charge of driving while intoxicated.
- **TRACEY ALLEN RAMSEY**, 27, of 2413 Morrison was arrested on warrants for theft of property (less than \$100)/shoplifting and failure to appear.
- **DARIO RAY EGGLESTON**, 18, of 1111 Ridgeroad Drive was arrested on a warrant for possession of drug paraphernalia.
- **STOLEN VEHICLE** was reported in the 4000 block of Connally Street and the 1000 block of Sycamore Street.
- **CRIMINAL MISCHIEF** was reported in the 1400 block of Princeton Avenue and the 200

Sheriff

The Howard County Sheriff's Department reported the following activity:

Note - Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 82 inmates at the time of this report.

- **EDWARD JAMES AUSBIE**, 23, was booked by BSPD on a charge of driving with an invalid license.
- **STEVEN ALEXANDER BOWERS**, 44, was booked by BSPD on a charge of driving with an invalid license.
- **MYRA DIAZ-GARCIA**, 21, was booked by DPS on a charge of purchasing and furnishing alcohol to a minor.
- **RUBEN DOMINGUEZ**, 30, was booked by BSPD on a warrant for use or possession of illegal smoking material.
- **DARIO RAY EGGLESTON**, 18, was booked by BSPD on a warrant for possession of drug paraphernalia.

• **DAVID GARZA JR.**, 30, was booked by BSPD on a charge of driving while intoxicated.

- **ANGEL ENRIQUE HINOJOSA**, 19, was booked by BSPD on a charge of driving with a suspended license.
- **AUSTIN DERROLD HUNT**, 20, was booked by BSPD on a motion to revoke probation for robbery; and on warrants for terroristic threat, theft, failure to maintain financial responsibility, no driver's license, and failure to yield right-of-way.
- **MOBEY CORDELL LEWIS**, 23, was booked by HCSO on a warrant for evading arrest or detention.
- **TRACEY ALLEN RAMSEY**, 27, was booked by BSPD on warrants for theft of property (less than \$100)/shoplifting and failure to appear.
- **SHAYLEE DEANN RAYMOND**, 21, was booked by BSPD on a charge of possession

Fire/EMS

Big Spring Fire Department/EMS reported the following activity:

- **TRAFFIC ACCIDENT** was reported on FM 669.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1200 block of 19th Street.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported at the intersection of Eighth and Main streets.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported

ed in the 2700 block of Lynn Street.

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1400 block of Sycamore.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1700 block of Lancaster.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported on East Interstate 20.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 500 block of East 13th Street.

Take Note

Registration for the Children's Miracle Theater for the Arts' (CMTA) two-week August camp is now on-going.

CMTA a non-profit organization open to children from ages 6-12. The registration fee for "Your Are A Star" summer camp is \$30. The camp will be held Aug. 8 through 19, and classes are 6 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. CMTA shirts are \$10. Classes will be held in the New Hope School building, 118 Cedar Road.

Children will learn stage set and prop design, building, painting and stage setting as well as on stage acting.

For more information or to register, contact Sharon Rich, program director, at 432-517-0723. Space is limited.

The biennial Forsan Reunion is scheduled for the first weekend in August, 5-6. Festivities kick off with a dinner for former students, teachers, parents and spouses at Spanish Inn. Following the dinner, all participants are invited to an open house reception in the banquet room at La Quinta Inn at 7:30 p.m. On Saturday, Aug. 6, reunion day activities begin at 9 a.m. in the Forsan School Cafeteria. A continental breakfast is provided at 9 a.m. followed by introductions and an invocation. At 1 p.m., Al's Bar-B-Que will cater the lunch.

Bailey Pittman is raising money to go on an 11 month mission trip to 11 countries. It's called the The World Race with the non-denominational ministry, Adventures in Missions. She and her teammates will be living

in tents most of that 11 months while serving the needy and spreading the Gospel. Despite the primitive conditions she needs to raise at least \$17,000 to join her mission team. Would you consider helping Bailey? If you want to donate directly to Bailey or follow her journey, see her blog at www.baileypittman.theworldrace.org. Also, Dr. David Ward is collecting for Bailey. Checks should be made to "Adventures in Missions" and also put "Bailey Pittman" on the note section of your check. You can mail or drop it by Dr. Ward's office at 1500 Scurry St.

Seniors and mature adults are invited to a dance on the first, third and fifth Friday of each month at the Dora Roberts Community Center.

Dances are from 7:30 p.m. to 10 p.m. with live bands. No alcohol or smoking permitted. There will be a pot luck as well so bring a dish if you want to eat. Cost is \$8 per person.

The Howard County Fair quilters for the annual Quilt Fundraiser. For more information call Suzanne Markwell at 214-256-1674

Meetings

The Big Spring Symphony Board of Directors meets every first Tuesday at 5:30 p.m. at the symphony office, 808 Scurry Street.

The Kiwanis Club of Big Spring meets at noon every Thursday in the Cactus Room at Howard College. Visitors are welcome.

block of Circle Drive.

• **THEFT** was reported in the 3600 block of West Highway 80, the 5600 block of East Midway Road, the 3000 block of Sherman Road, 100 block of East FM 700, the 300 block of South Owens Street, and the 400 block of North Gregg Street.

• **BURGLARY OF A HABITATION** was reported in the 3600 block of Calvin Street, the 2900 block of West Seventh Street, and the 1500 block of Sycamore Street.

• **MAJOR ACCIDENT** was reported near the intersection of Eighth and Main streets.

• **DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE** was reported in the 4100 block of Parkway Road.

• **MINOR ACCIDENT** was reported in the 3600 block of West Highway 80 and the 10000 block of South Moss Lake Road.

of controlled substance (4 to 200 grams); and on warrants for theft and minor in possession of alcohol.

• **TRINIDAD RIOS-RIOS**, 39, was booked by BSPD on a charge of evading arrest or detention; and on a warrant for non-payment of child support.

• **AARON ABELARDO RODRIGUEZ**, 36, was booked by BSPD on a charge of driving while intoxicated.

• **ALEXIS DELORES SMITH**, 19, was booked by BSPD on a warrant for theft of property (\$100 to \$750).

• **JOHN RALPH SMITH**, 54, was booked by DPS on a warrant for theft of property (\$1,500 to \$20,000).

• **ANTHONY MICHAEL STRAIN**, 36, was booked by BSPD on a charge of unauthorized use of a motor vehicle.

• **FALSE FIRE ALARM** was reported in the 300 block of Veteran's Boulevard.

• **FALSE FIRE ALARM** was reported in the 1000 block of South Main Street.

• **VEHICLE FIRE** was reported in the 1800 block of Morrison.

• **GRASS FIRE** was reported in the 2600 block of Carleton.

Order of the Eastern Star Big Spring Chapter 67 meets the third Tuesday of each month at 219 Main St. Dinner begins at 6:30 p.m. Lodge meeting begins at 7:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome. For more information, contact Jimmy Ruth at 271-2176.

Staked Plains Masonic Lodge No. 598 meets the second Thursday of each month at 7 p.m. (dinner is at 6 p.m.) at 219 1/2 Main St. All Masons are welcome.

Membership to the Big Spring Native American Association is open to the public. People interested in Native American culture are encouraged to find out more about the organization by calling Richard "Indio" Lesser at 432-935-0125,

Volunteer opportunities

The Scenic Mountain Medical Center volunteer program is in need of volunteers. A variety of opportunities are open for members of the community. For more information, call Anita Cline at 268-4721.

The Big Spring State Hospital Volunteer Services Council is in need of volunteers to fill a variety of needs to assist the hospital's patients. Applications to become a volunteer can be picked up at The Chalet, 115 E. Second St., Tuesday through Saturday between 8 a.m. and 3 p.m. or at the Big Spring State Hospital Community Relations Department, 1901 N. Hwy 87, Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Obituaries

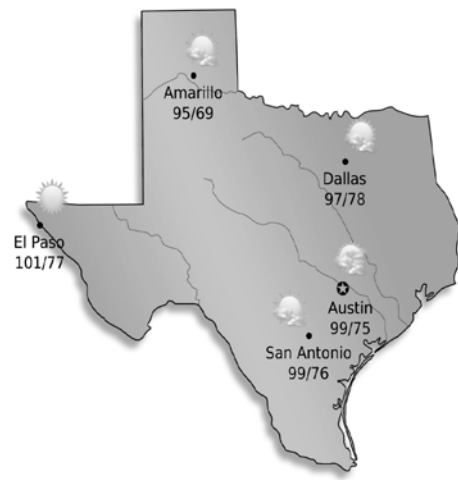
Robert Helm

Robert Helm, 83, of Coahoma died Monday, July 25, 2016, in a San Antonio hospital. Services are pending with Nalley-Pickle and Welch Funeral Home and Crematory.

Local 5-Day Forecast

Tue 7/26	Wed 7/27	Thu 7/28	Fri 7/29	Sat 7/30
93/72 Sunshine and clouds mixed. A stray shower or t-storm is possible. High 93F. Winds ENE at 10 to 15 mph.	92/72 Mix of sun and clouds. Highs in the low 90s and lows in the low 70s.	90/72 T-storms early. Highs in the low 90s and lows in the low 70s.	94/72 Times of sun and clouds. Highs in the mid 90s and lows in the low 70s.	96/73 Times of sun and clouds. Highs in the mid 90s and lows in the low 70s.
Sunrise: 6:57 AM Sunset: 8:47 PM	Sunrise: 6:57 AM Sunset: 8:46 PM	Sunrise: 6:58 AM Sunset: 8:46 PM	Sunrise: 6:59 AM Sunset: 8:45 PM	Sunrise: 6:59 AM Sunset: 8:44 PM

Texas at a Glance



Area Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Abilene	99	74	Sunny	Kingsville	99	75	P Cloudy
Amarillo	95	69	M Cloudy	Livingston	91	73	Sct T-Storms
Austin	99	75	Sunny	Longview	94	73	M Cloudy
Beaumont	88	75	Sct T-Storms	Lubbock	99	72	Sunny
Brownsville	96	78	P Cloudy	Lufkin	92	73	M Cloudy
Brownwood	98	74	Sunny	Midland	101	75	Sunny
Corpus Christi	93	78	P Cloudy	Raymondville	99	77	P Cloudy
Corsicana	97	75	M Cloudy	Rosenberg	91	73	Sunny
Dallas	97	78	M Cloudy	San Antonio	99	76	P Cloudy
Del Rio	102	80	Sunny	San Marcos	98	74	Sunny
El Paso	101	77	M Sunny	Sulphur Springs	96	75	M Cloudy
Fort Stockton	99	75	Sunny	Sweetwater	98	74	Sunny
Gainesville	94	73	P Cloudy	Tyler	94	74	M Cloudy
Greenville	97	74	Cloudy	Weatherford	99	75	Sunny
Houston	89	77	M Cloudy	Wichita Falls	100	75	Sunny

National Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Atlanta	94	74	Sunny	Miami	88	81	Cloudy
Boston	88	72	M Cloudy	Minneapolis	88	69	Sunny
Chicago	84	67	P Cloudy	New York	94	77	M Cloudy
Dallas	97	78	M Cloudy	Phoenix	110	87	Sunny
Denver	95	66	Sunny	San Francisco	62	48	Cloudy
Houston	89	77	M Cloudy	Seattle	84	61	P Cloudy
Los Angeles	87	67	Sunny	Saint Louis	89	74	P Cloudy

Moon Phases

First Jul 12	Full Jul 19	Last Jul 26	New Aug 2

UV Index

Tue 7/26	Wed 7/27	Thu 7/28	Fri 7/29	Sat 7/30
11	10	10	11	11
Extreme	Very High	Very High	Extreme	Extreme

The UV Index is measured on a 0 - 11 number scale, with a higher UV Index showing the need for greater skin protection.

Support Groups

MONDAY

VA Alcoholics Anonymous support group, 7-8 p.m., Veterans Healing Center.

Reformers Unanimous International is a faith-based addictions program helping people find freedom from addiction. Meetings begin at 7 p.m. Mondays at Trinity Baptist Church in Big Spring. Enter at the main entrance of the church.

Alcoholics Anonymous, As Bill Sees it, 615 Settles, 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.

TUESDAY

Big Spring and Snyder Parkinsons Support Group meeting at the Big Spring Senior Center at 10:30 a.m. the second Tuesday of the month.

This is a group for all Parkinson's disease patients, spouses and caregivers.

For more information about the support group or about Parkinson's Disease, contact Jo Bidwell at the Lubbock APDA office at 806-785-0942

VA Alcoholics Anonymous support group, 7:30-8:30 p.m., Veterans Healing Center.

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World Briefly

Authorities: 2 killed, 17 shot at Florida nightclub

FORT MYERS, Fla. (AP) — Two people have been killed and more than a dozen shot at a nightclub in Fort Myers, Florida, authorities said.

As many as 17 people have been shot in the early Monday shooting at Club Blu, police Capt. Jim Mulligan said.

Three people have been taken into custody and there are two active crime scenes, Mulligan said.

The area was later deemed safe, but Mulligan said a street was still closed as authorities investigated.

In a statement, authorities said the Fort Myers police and the Lee County Sheriff's Office were "actively canvassing the area looking for other persons who may be involved in this incident."

Germany: Syrian asylum seeker blows himself up

ANSBACH, Germany (AP) — A failed asylum-seeker from Syria blew himself up and wounded 12 people after being turned away from an open-air music festival in southern Germany in what officials said Monday may have been a suicide bombing. It was the fourth attack to shake Germany in a week — three of them carried out by recent immigrants.

The 27-year-old blew himself up at a bar shortly after 10 p.m. (2000 GMT), having been turned away from an open-air music festival in the southern town of Ansbach because he didn't have a ticket.

Roman Fertinger, the deputy police chief in nearby Nueremberg, said it was likely there would have been more casualties if the man had managed to enter the concert venue.

Three of the 12 victims suffered serious injuries in the blast. The attacker's rucksack had contained sharp bits of metal.

"My personal view is that I unfortunately think it's very likely this really was an Islamist suicide attack," Bavarian interior minister Joachim Herrmann told German news agency dpa.

Iraq finally bans fake bomb detectors after July 3 blast

BAGHDAD (AP) — For nearly a decade, anyone driving through one of Baghdad's many checkpoints was subjected to a search by a soldier pointing a security wand at their vehicle and watching the device intently to see if its antenna moved. If it pointed at the car, it had supposedly detected a possible bomb.

The wands were completely bogus. It had been proven years ago, even before 2013 when two British men were convicted in separate trials on fraud charges for selling the detectors. The devices, sold under various names for thousands of dollars each, apparently were based on a product that sold for about \$20 and claimed to find golf balls.

Yet the Iraqi government continued to use the devices, spending nearly \$60 million on them despite warnings by U.S. military commanders and the wands' proven failure to stop near-daily bombings in Baghdad. It took a massive suicide bombing that killed almost 300 people in Baghdad on July 3 — the deadliest single attack in the capital in 13 years of war — for Prime Minister Haider al-Abadi to finally ban their use.

The reason it took so long is likely the widespread corruption in the government. Iraqis mocked the device from the start, joking that too much aftershave could set off the antenna.

'Pokemon Go' players

stumble on hidden history

PROVIDENCE, R.I. (AP) — Historical markers have long dotted the landscape, often barely noticed by passersby — until they became treasure-filled stops this month on the "Pokemon Go" trail.

Players hunting for fictional creatures on their smartphones are now visiting real-life memorial plaques, statues, mosaics and landmarks, ranging from a Civil War battlefield in Chancellorsville, Virginia, to a Hells Angels clubhouse on New Zealand's North Island.

Some don't bother to linger at these Pokestops, staying just long enough to stock up on the virtual balls they'll use to bonk and capture the next Pokemon. But for others, the GPS-powered "augmented reality" game is heightening awareness of the history and geography of their neighborhoods.

Trump taunts claims that Russia hacked DNC emails for him

By VIVIAN SALAMA

Associated Press

WASHINGTON (AP) — Donald Trump on Monday dismissed as a "joke" claims by Hillary Clinton's campaign that Russia is trying to help Trump by leaking thousands of emails from the Democratic National Committee.

Clinton campaign chairman John Podesta added fuel to the debate Monday, saying there was "a kind of bromance going on" between Russian President Vladimir Putin and Trump. The Clinton campaign says Russia favors Trump's views, especially on NATO.



Donald Trump

"The new joke in town is that Russia leaked the disastrous DNC e-mails, which should have never been written (stupid), because Putin likes me," Trump wrote as part of a series of Tweets. "Hillary was involved in the e-mail scandal because she is the only one with judgement (sic) so bad that such a thing could have happened."

Wikileaks posted emails Friday that suggested the DNC was favoring Clinton over her rival Sen. Bernie Sanders during the primary season, enraging die-hard Sanders supporters who have long claimed that the DNC had its finger on the scale throughout the primaries. The disclosures prompted the resignation of DNC chairwoman Debbie Wasserman Schultz on the eve of the party's convention in Philadelphia, where Clinton is expected to officially accept the nomination for president.

How the emails were stolen hasn't been confirmed.

Clinton's campaign stood firmly behind their claims of Russian involvement Monday.

"There is a consensus among experts that it is indeed Russia that is behind this hack of the DNC," Clinton campaign spokesman Brian Fallon told CNN.

It is not clear whether the WikiLeaks breach is linked to an earlier incident in June. CrowdStrike Inc., a cybersecurity firm, said last month that the DNC asked it to investigate a suspected breach of its systems that began as early as last summer. CrowdStrike said it quickly found traces of two of the best adversaries in the hacking arena, both tied to the Russian government.

On Sunday, Clinton campaign manager Robby Mook said that it was "concerning last week that Donald Trump changed the Republican platform to become what some experts would regard as pro-Russian."

Trump's senior policy adviser Paul Manafort called statements by the Clinton campaign "prettyperate."

"It's a far reach, obviously," Manafort told reporters. "To lead their convention with that tells me they really are trying to move away from what the issues are going to be in this campaign. It's pretty absurd."

Trump told the New York Times last week that he would decide whether to protect America's NATO allies against Russian aggression based on whether those countries "have fulfilled their obligations to us," hinting that he might pivot away from the decades-old agreement.

Associated Press writers Sam Hananel and Joan Lowey contributed to this report from Washington.

"Before I was just going from Point A to Point B, but now I'm learning things," said 15-year-old Jaiden Cruz as he walked by a plaque Wednesday in downtown Providence, Rhode Island, marking where Abraham Lincoln spoke at an old railroad hall in 1860. The plaque is a Pokestop, and shortly before Cruz arrived, another

player dropped a "lure module" that attracts Pokemon to the site.

The 380-year-old city abounds with Pokestops, including the nation's oldest Baptist church — founded by religious dissident Roger Williams in 1638 — and a stone marking where French troops camped during the Revolutionary War.

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which should never have been written (stupid), because Putin likes me." Republicans relished Democrats' pre-convention tumult, just days after they bumped and bumbled through their convention, unsuccessfully trying to paper over their own division. GOP nominee Donald Trump declared on Twitter: "The Dems Convention is cracking up."

Resistance to Clinton was on display during a demonstration Sunday as many thronged to a main thoroughfare and chanted, "Hell no, DNC, we won't vote for Hillary." Still many delegates, and Sanders himself, said they planned to fall in line, mindful of the Republican alternative.

Ohio's Michael Skindell, a Sanders delegate, said Monday he plans to "strongly support the nominee of the party."

DNC Vice Chair Donna Brazile, a veteran Democratic strategist who will lead the party on an interim basis after the convention, warned more leaked emails, and more apologies, could be coming.

For now, party leaders tried to make Wasserman Schultz's exit as graceful as possible. Clinton and President Barack Obama both quickly praised the departed party chief.

At the Republican convention, Trump cast himself as the law-and-order candidate in a nation suffering

under crime and hobbled by immigration, sticking to the gloom-and-doom theme. As he accepted the Republican nomination, Trump said: "The legacy of Hillary Clinton is death, destruction, terrorism and weakness."

In return, Clinton seized upon what she called the "fear and the anger and the resentment" from Trump and Republicans, dismissing Trump's declaration that only he could fix the problems that afflict the nation.

Clinton was due to campaign in Charlotte, North Carolina on Monday. Ahead of her speech to the VFW, Clinton secured the endorsement of retired Gen. John Allen, former Deputy Commander of U. S. Central Command and a former Commander of the International Security Assistance Force, overseeing NATO troops in Afghanistan.

"I have no doubt that she is the leader we need at this time to keep our country safe, and I trust her with that most sacred responsibility of commander in chief."

Obama will speak on Wednesday night. Other high-profile speakers include former President Bill Clinton and Vice President Joe Biden.

They will try to overcome the lingering resentment among Sanders supporters, which was intensified by both the leak of emails that appeared to show top DNC officials working against the Sanders campaign and include one questioning his faith.

"If they think they can win without

half the party, let them lose," said Andrew Fader, 27, of New York, who was wearing a "Bernie" T-shirt on Sunday near the Liberty Bell. "And I'll move to Canada."

Kenny Madden, a Sanders delegate from Kentucky, said he doesn't "think there can be anything Bernie can say that will bring people together. I think that's going to have to come from the other side."

Sanders endorsed Clinton two weeks ago after pressing for the party platform to include a \$15-an-hour minimum wage, debt-free college and an expansion of access to health care.

Clinton is within just days of her long-held ambition to become the party's official presidential nominee. After the DNC released a slightly trimmed list of superdelegates — those are the

party officials who can back any candidate — it now takes 2,382 delegates to formally clinch the nomination. Clinton has 2,814 when including superdelegates, according to an Associated Press count. Sanders has 1,893.

Associated Press writers Chad Day and Hope Yen in Washington, Alan Suderman in Richmond, Virginia, and Alex Sanz and Megan Trimble in Philadelphia contributed to this report.

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Cowboys staffers' bus involved in fatal crash

PHOENIX (AP) — A van collided with a bus carrying Dallas Cowboys staffers but no players on an Arizona highway, leaving four dead in the van, authorities said.

The bus occupants emerged uninjured from Sunday's crash, Arizona Department of Public Safety spokesman Quentin Mehr said.

"All on the bus came through OK with some bumps and bruises," Cowboys spokesman Rich Dalrymple (DAHL'-rimp-ul) said in an email.

Dalrymple said the bus was only carrying members of the franchise's staff but would not say how many. There were no players on board.

Footage following the crash shows the two vehicles in a field on the side of the road — the bus seemingly intact and sitting upright while the van appearing demolished and reduced to wreckage.

Mickey Spagnola, a columnist for



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The scene of a bus crash is surveyed Sunday, July 24, 2016, on a highway in northwestern Arizona. A Dallas Cowboys bus collided with another vehicle and authorities say at least one person was killed. Team spokesman Rich Dalrymple confirmed a Cowboys bus was one of two vehicles involved in the crash Sunday on U.S. 93.

the team's website, has been writing for the past week about traveling on a Cowboys bus with a driver, the team mascot and videographer. On his Twitter page, Spagnola tweeted before 2 p.m. that the bus was 80 miles outside of Vegas.

The two vehicles collided in the afternoon on U.S. 93, about 30 miles north of the city of Kingman or 180 miles northeast of Phoenix, according to DPS.

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Karolyis' Texas ranch flips to USA Gymnastics after Rio

By WILL GRAVES

AP Sports Writer

The face at the top of U.S. women's gymnastics will change next month when longtime national team coordinator Martha Karolyi retires following the Summer Olympics.

The address that doubles as the program's heartbeat will not.

USA Gymnastics has reached an agreement with Karolyi and husband Bela to purchase the training facility, Texas. Financial terms were not disclosed, but a closing date of Aug. 24 has been set, just three days after the closing ceremony in Rio.

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DeShields homers as Rangers top Royals 2-1



AP Photo/Colin E. Braley

Texas Rangers pitcher A.J. Griffin throws in the first inning of a baseball game against the Kansas City Royals at Kauffman Stadium in Kansas City, Mo., Sunday, June 24, 2016.

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP)—Delino DeShields is known for his speed, stealing 101 bases in 2012 in the minors, not for his power.

DeShields homered in the seventh inning to break a tie and the Texas Rangers defeated the Kansas City Royals 2-1 on Sunday.

DeShields, who was recalled Thursday from Triple-A Round Rock, walked and doubled before leading off the seventh with his third home run. DeShields hit a 2-1 pitch from Luke Hochevar out to left.

"It so happened that today I was the guy that got us the go-ahead run," DeShields said. "I was

just trying to hit the ball hard. I wasn't looking for anything specific. I wanted to get on base. Before I had gotten on base in every at-bat.

"With the game tied and if I get myself in scoring position, there's a good chance for me to touch home plate. I got into it pretty good and got it over the fence, but the main focus was just putting the barrel on the ball and try to get on base."

The loss dropped the Royals to 48-49, the first time the World Series champions have been below .500 since May 15 when they were 18-19. The Royals have lost 13 of 19 games in July.

Left-hander Alex Claudio (2-1) picked up the win, pitching a scoreless sixth.

Hochevar (2-3) took the loss and has allowed six runs in 6 1-3 innings in July.

"It was a four-seam fastball and it just took off and ran back over the plate," Hochevar said of DeShields' home run. "Trying to go down and away with that and it just ran middle."

Rangers relievers Claudio, Keone Kela, Jake Diekman and Sam Dyson held the Royals scoreless the final four innings.

Dyson earned his 20th

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Altuve's 2 homers lead Astros over Angels

HOUSTON (AP) — Jose Altuve has never been known for his power.

That has started to change this season.

Altuve hit two of Houston's season-high five homers and had a career-high six RBIs to lead the Houston Astros to a 13-3 win on Sunday for a three-game sweep of the Los Angeles Angels.

Altuve, who added an RBI single in the fifth, extended his hitting streak to nine games and stretched his streak against the Angels to 18 games. His 17 homers are a career high and he leads the majors with a .360 average. He hadn't driven in more than four runs in a game before Sunday.

"I'm still impressed a little bit about my homers," Altuve said with a grin.

Luis Valbuena, Preston Tucker and Evan

Gattis also homered for the Astros, who extended their winning streak against the Angels to 11 games.

There were runners at first and second with no outs in the first when Altuve connected off Tim Lincecum (2-4) on a home run to left-center field to make it 3-0. Valbuena's home run came with one out in the inning to push the lead to 4-0.

"He finds a way to get in the middle of it every single game," manager A.J. Hinch said. "He's certainly one of the best hitters in the league. He shows it every day. Kicking us off with a three-run homer really did ignite us."

George Springer hit a two-run single with no outs in the second inning before scoring on Altuve's second homer with one out to make it 8-0.

Houston starter Mike

Fiers (7-6) allowed nine hits and three runs in seven innings for the win.

Tucker had a solo shot in Houston's three-run fifth inning. Gattis, who had a pair of homers on Friday night, homered in the sixth to make it 13-1.

Lincecum lost his fourth decision in five starts by allowing seven hits and a season-high eight runs in 1 1/3 innings in his shortest outing of the season.

"It's pretty embarrassing, to be honest with you," he said. "To give up three home runs and give up seven or eight hits in that span is pretty pathetic. I've got a lot of work to do."

He'd had great success against the Astros in his time with the Giants and entered the game 2-0 with a 0.34 ERA in four career starts at Minute Maid Park. He had a 16 1/3-inning scoreless

streak here before Sunday when he allowed a season-high three homers.

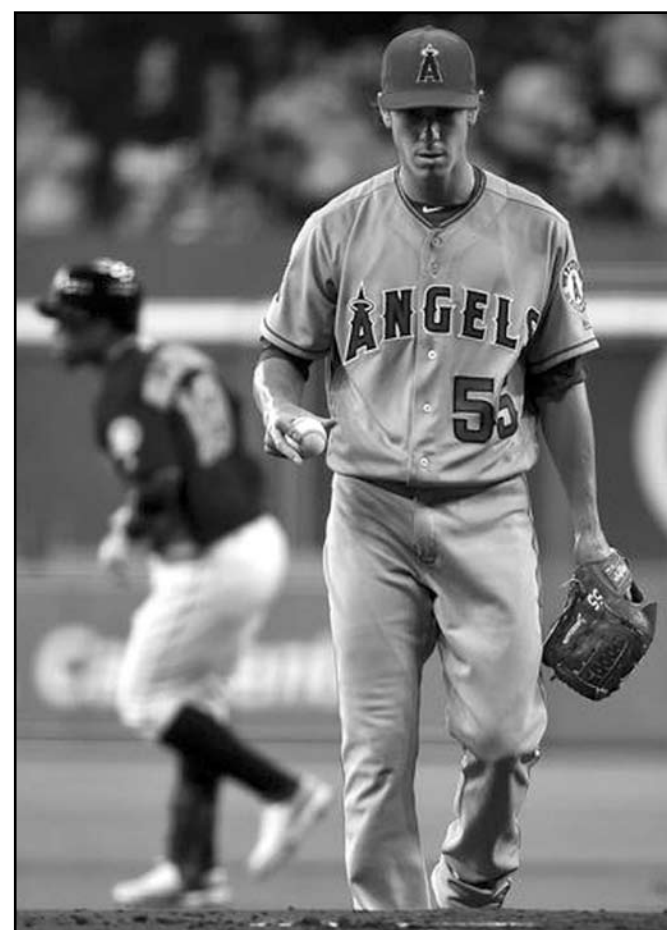
A sacrifice fly by Kole Calhoun gave the Angels a run in the third inning and Jett Bandy added a two-run homer in the seventh.

The five home runs allowed were a season high for the Angels, who had to use six relievers.

Carlos Correa added three hits and an RBI for the Astros on a day when everyone in the starting lineup except Colby Rasmus got a hit.

TRAINER'S ROOM

Astros: 1B Marwin Gonzalez left the game in the fifth inning when he hit his sprained left ankle running to first base. He is listed day to day. ... C Jason Castro was out of the lineup for the second straight game after being hit on the back of his right hand on a foul tip in the ninth inning Friday.



AP Photo/Eric Christian Smith

Los Angeles Angels starting pitcher Tim Lincecum, right, walks back to the mound as Houston Astros' Luis Valbuena rounds the bases after hitting a solo home run in the first inning of a baseball game, Sunday, July 24, 2016, in Houston.

Boos to cheers: Durant heads home to Oakland with Team USA

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Even in a jersey with "USA" on the chest, Kevin Durant got some boos at Staples Center on Sunday night.

He'll probably need to get used to that sound in this building for the rest of his basketball career.

When he suits up in Oakland on Tuesday for the first time since joining the Golden

State Warriors, he'll get another reception entirely.

But no hate or love from the stands is going to deter Durant from trying to win a gold medal or an NBA title.

"The crowd here tonight was great, so hopefully it's just as good at Oracle," Durant said after scoring 19 points at a packed Staples Center during the Americans' 106-57 victory

over China in the second stop of a five-game pre-Olympics showcase.

When told he had been booed in pregame introductions, Durant seemed surprised: "No, I didn't hear it. I did? Huh. I didn't hear it."

The Los Angeles fans were gathered to cheer for the Americans during an exhibition blowout, but some

of them couldn't resist jabbing at the newest member of the Warriors and his two-team teammate, Draymond Green. The Clippers fans in the crowd supported the red, white and blue — but those colors represent something else to them for most of the year, and they let their new nemesis know it.

Golden State general man-

ager Bob Myers was in attendance to see his newest signing's performance alongside Green and Klay Thompson, who scored 17 points in another impressive exhibition victory for the gold medal favorites.

Myers was surprised by the boos, but only to a point.

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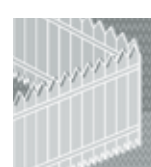
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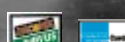
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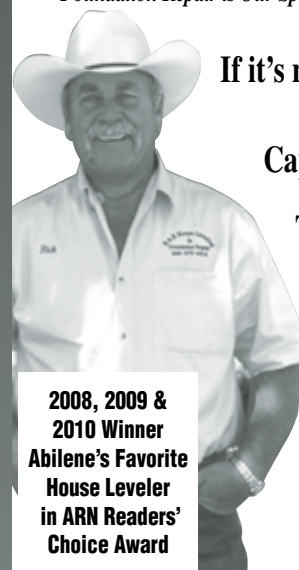
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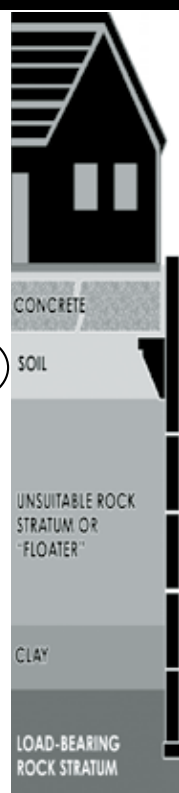
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Passion Skies

The Aries lunar persuasion is the perfect complement to the

Leo sun's high-energy agenda, and the moon forms many auspicious angles along the way. First Saturn gets the cosmic wink, and then Venus in Leo receives a good-morning embrace, followed by the close-out evening trine to Mercury. All in all, it's a passionate and lucky time.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). The drama doesn't have to involve you if you don't want it to. You'll feel like you're getting away with something by staying out of it, but you've earned the right to do so by minding your own business.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). You are mightily affected by your environment, much more so than the others around you today. Your observations about a

place are spot on as you notice every little thing.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). With the recent cosmic shift you are feeling extremely playful and therefore wary of any situation that asks you to take it seriously. If there really appears to be no room for silliness, avoid it altogether.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Usually it wouldn't serve you to pretend to be interested in something you're not, but today is the exception to the rule. Stretch yourself and you'll get a window of understanding into someone very different from you.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). This will be a topsy-turvy day, when the little things are big and the big things are little. The prevalent perspective is the one to go with, as there is not much to be gained taking the contrary view just for the sake of it.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Yesterday you started to follow some pretty specific instructions, and today

you can finish strong by following this line of logic to the end. The encouragement of elders will help.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). There is a like-minded spirit coming into your world: someone with artistic leanings who might open you to new influences and also be changed by what you bring to the relationship.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Sometimes you look back and think, "Boy, I really messed that one up." Well, maybe you messed "that one" up just so you would have a chance to make today's one really count.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). This cleaning and organizational effort requires much of your body and your mind, too. You will restore balance and harmony to your inner and outer environment at once.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Your life will not be unlike one of those movie-of-the-week specials in which the plot presents

preposterous dramatic coincidence. The improbability of what actually occurs will certainly wake you up.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You know what's right for you. The others want to, pretend to and purport to. But you and only you truly do know the answer. Believe in the echoes of your heart.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). You've agree to do things that have turned out to be not so beneficial to you. Others have gained from your work. Others have profited from your efforts. Well, at least you know that what you gave is saleable. Now what?

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (JULY 25). The exhilarating highs of the next 10 weeks will offset recent challenges you've experienced. You'll be ready for October's non-eventful, coasting sensation.

Love is the main attraction in the last months of the year, and you'll willingly make big changes to accommodate a relationship that

is so worth your while. Pisces and Sagittarius adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 3, 27, 11, 48 and 15.

ASTROLOGICAL QUESTIONS: "I'm a Virgo with a Virgo rising. I feel I have been consistently under-confident in my life. I do not seem to have a fair way of evaluating my own efforts. The reason I know this is that I have undercut myself at many junctures. Once, I didn't enter a photography contest because I felt that my photo wouldn't do well. Later, when I took a stroll through the winning entries, I realized that my photos were on par with most of what I was seeing. I should have entered and taken my chances. I naturally assumed I wouldn't do well, but I had no evidence. I do this in every area of life. I don't want to limit myself like this anymore. How do I break the habit?"

The phrase associated with Virgo is "I analyze." The ability to measure and compare is a useful skill with-

out which the modern world wouldn't exist. As a photographer and in other areas of life you use this ability to shape and control your results. You might say that collecting data and managing details are your superpowers -- the tools you use to attain perfection, or get as near to it as you possibly can. (SET ITAL) To be continued tomorrow... (END ITAL)

CELEBRITY PROFILES: Quintessential rock star Mick Jagger is a stick of dynamite on stage and was of course born under the passionate fire sign, Leo. Five planets in the sign of lion-sized showmanship add to the sizzle. Mars in Taurus suggests tenacity, longevity and an abiding love of the finer things in life. Venus and Neptune in Virgo are the indicators of a voracious appetite for work.

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Annie's Mailbox

Young Office Slacker

Dear Annie: I run a small real estate development firm with only three employees. I research and bring in the deals. My partner manages the day-to-day operations, and we have one general administrative assistant. At the same time, we work with and have relationships with everyone involved, including general contractors, architects, designers, Realtors and subcontractors. At any given time, there are a lot of balls in the air, and attention to detail is critical, which brings me to my issue.

One of our biggest investors has a nephew, and because he wants his nephew to get some experience, he asked

whether his nephew could work as an intern for us. I talked to the kid, and he seemed nice enough, so we hired him for the summer. Since then, he's been a bit of a disaster.

The kid comes in late and leaves early. He is sloppy with his work, horrible on the phones and borderline illiterate through email. He's the winning combination of entitled and incompetent.

I don't want to upset the investor, but we're a small, scrappy firm and this degenerate is sticking out like a sore thumb and creating more work than he is producing. I don't want to bite the hand that feeds me, but I need to run my business. -- Rock and Hard Place

Dear Rock: You're wise to be cautious. When it comes to family, objectivity tends to go out the window. If you complained to your investor, he might become defensive, even if his nephew has the work ethic of a trustafarian sloth. That said, he did want the boy to get work experience; surely, he can appreciate that constructive feedback is part of that.

So offer the intern some specific pointers. His emails are terrible? Share examples he can model his after. He's bad on the phone? Spend a few minutes each day role-playing calls. If he doesn't improve, give him tasks that aren't customer-facing, such as scanning documents. In the meantime,

work on a diplomatic response to have ready the next time an investor tries to get a relative a job at the firm so you're not between a rock and a hard place again.

Dear Annie: I work at a boutique consulting company with incredibly smart people who have different knowledge bases. The staff is truly diverse, ranging in age from 22 to 72, and everyone gets along, for the most part.

We have a company dress code that says something like "no open-toed shoes, no jeans except on Fridays, collared shirts must be worn," etc. It's essentially business casual from 1997.

I've noticed a change recently, especially from the younger people.

They have no regard for the dress code.

Don't get me wrong. They all look very put-together and extremely fashionable. It's not as if they're showing up in hoodies and flip-flops. They might wear a hoodie, but it's a slim-fitting, hip hoodie over a button-down with dark jeans and Chuck Taylors. Straight out of a Levi's commercial. Part of me wishes I could pull that off -- I would love to come into work feeling comfortable -- but I don't want my supervisors to think I don't care about the rules.

These younger co-workers look OK, but they are technically breaking our dress code, and for some reason, that bothers me. It's not about the clothes. It's

more about my perception that they're getting a free pass. Am I being a fogey, or am I onto something? -- Not Anna Wintour

Dear Not Anna: A dress code is part of company culture, but sometimes the culture evolves and the rule-book becomes outdated. Talk to management and ask for clarification. Maybe management will decide to revise the policy to allow more casual attire. Regardless, try worrying less about other people's jeans.

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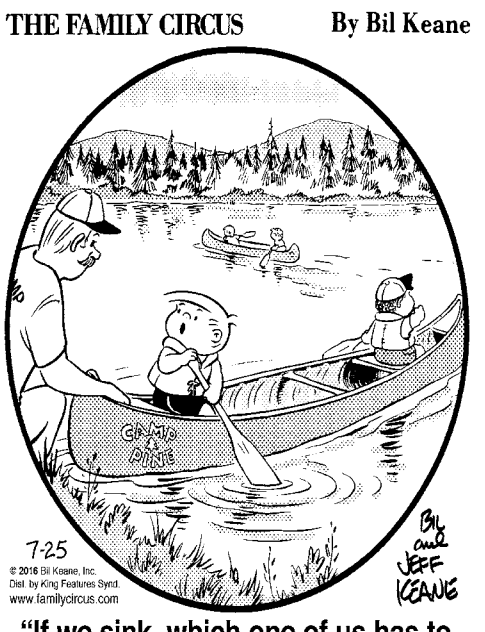
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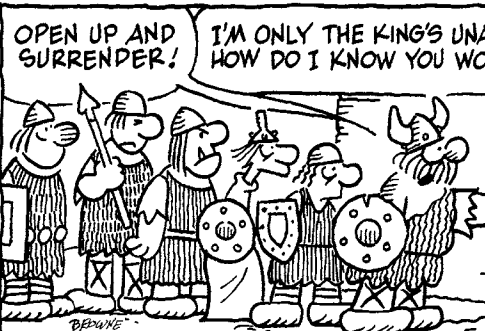
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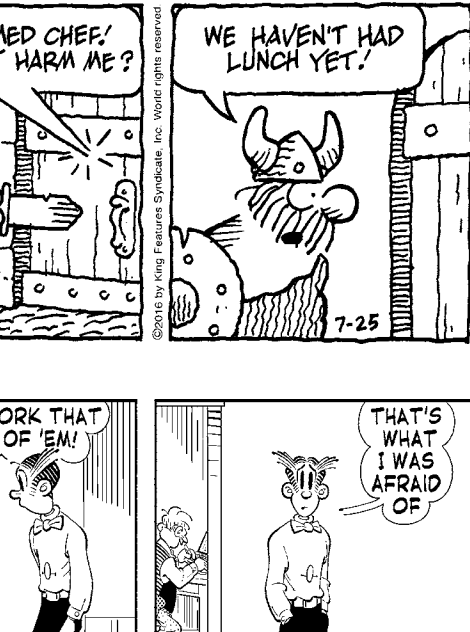
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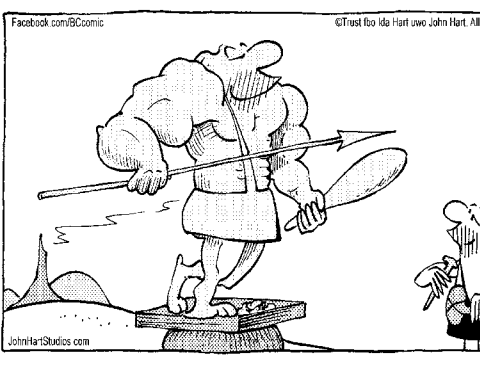
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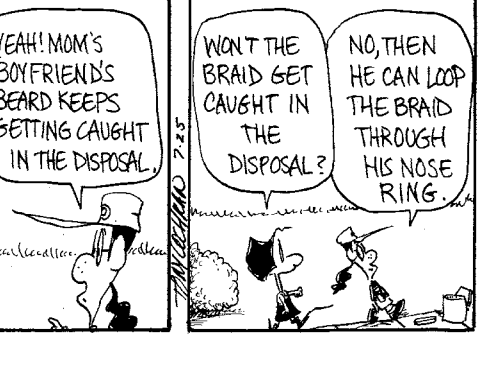
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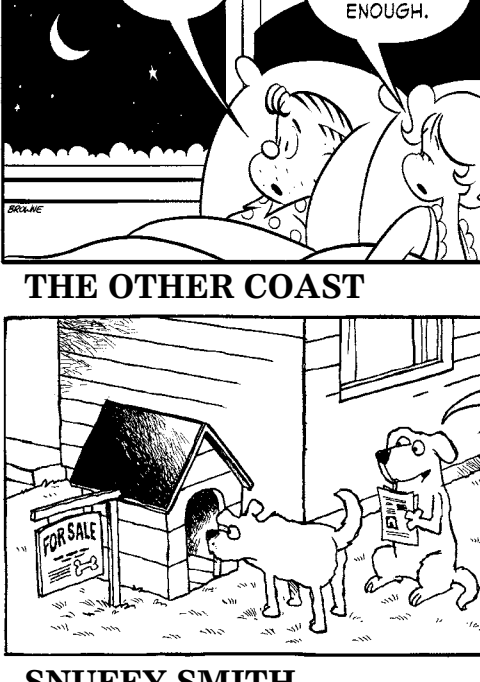
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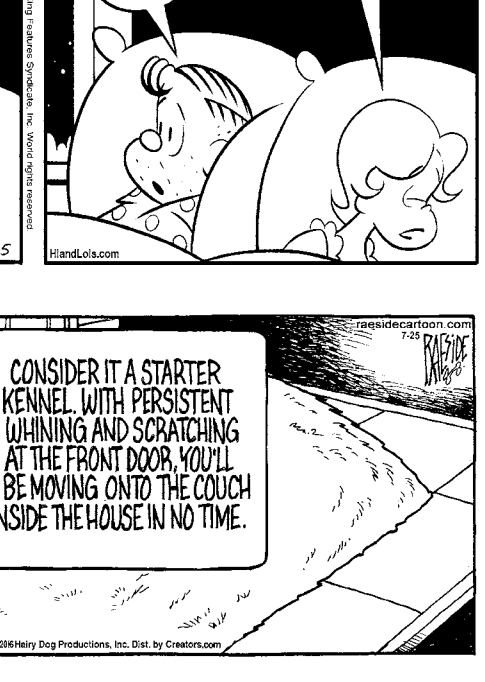
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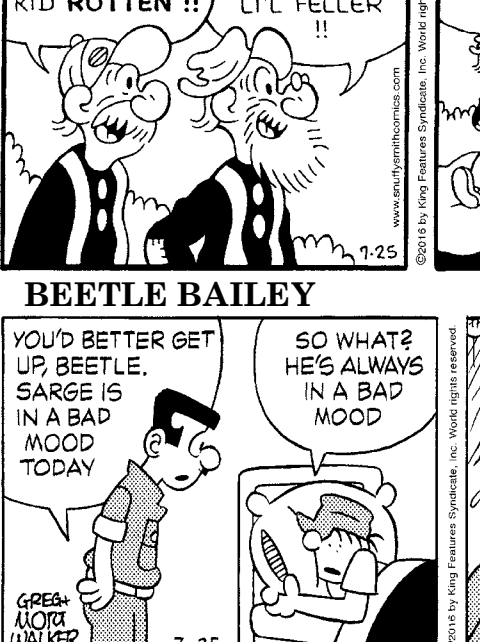
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This Date In History

Today is Monday, July 25, the 207th day of 2016. There are 159 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On July 25, 1956, the Italian liner SS Andrea Doria collided with the Swedish passenger ship Stockholm off the New England coast late at night and began sinking; 51 people, 46 from the Andrea Doria, five from the Stockholm, were killed. (The Andrea Doria capsized and sank the following morning.)

On this date:

In 1866, Ulysses S. Grant was named General of the Army of the United States, the first officer to hold the rank.

In 1909, French aviator Louis Bleriot (bleh-ree-OH) became the first person to fly an airplane across the English Channel, traveling from Calais (kah-LAY) to Dover in 37 minutes.

In 1918, the musical revue "The Passing Show of 1918" opened on Broadway, featuring a cast that included Fred Astaire and his sister, Adele, and the song "I'm Forever Blowing Bubbles."

In 1934, Austrian Chancellor Engelbert Dollfuss was assassinated by pro-Nazi Austrians in a failed coup attempt.

In 1941, President Franklin D. Roosevelt froze Japanese assets in the United States in retaliation for Japan's occupation of southern Indochina.

In 1946, the United States detonated an atomic bomb near Bikini Atoll in the Pacific in the first underwater test of the device.

In 1952, Puerto Rico became a self-governing commonwealth of the United States.

In 1965, Bob Dylan drew boos from some spectators at the Newport Folk Festival as he performed with a rock band.

In 1975, the musical "A Chorus Line" opened on Broadway at the Shubert Theatre, beginning a run of 6,137 performances.

In 1986, movie director Vincente Minnelli, known for such musicals as "Gigi," "An American in Paris" and "Meet Me in St. Louis," died in Los Angeles at age 83.

In 1994, Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin and Jordan's King Hussein (hoo-SAYN) signed a declaration at the White House ending their countries' 46-year-old formal state of war.

In 2000, a New York-bound Air France Concorde crashed outside Paris shortly after take-off, killing all 109 people on board and four people on the ground; it was the first-ever crash of the supersonic jet.

Newsday Crossword

- CUTTING EDGES by Gail Grabowski Edited by Stanley Newman www.stanxwords.com
- ACROSS
- 1 Thick slice
 - 5 Help with, as a crime
 - 9 Dinner course with lettuce
 - 14 Cone-bearing tree
 - 15 Like a lot
 - 16 Retail cost
 - 17 Tiny household pests
 - 18 Yoked beasts of burden
 - 19 Warms up, as food
 - 20 Cook's cutting tool
 - 23 Rowing implement
 - 24 Surgeons' facilities: Abbr.
 - 25 Biblical song
 - 29 Chalkboard material
 - 32 "Big Blue" tech company
 - 35 Where some kids spend their summer
 - 37 Mural or sculpture
 - 38 Hand-lotion ingredient
 - 39 Pedicurist's cutting tool
 - 42 Lost traction
 - 43 Go bad
 - 44 Steps of a project
 - 45 "Are we there ___?"
 - 46 Low-voiced opera singer
 - 48 Sweepstakes submission
 - 49 Not at home
 - 50 Greatly regret
 - 52 Shrub-cutting tool
 - 59 Danger
- DOWN
- 60 Trousers' belt holder
 - 61 Treaty
 - 63 Wipe clean
 - 64 Stare at
 - 65 Teheran's nation
 - 66 Fence rails
 - 67 Doe or fawn
 - 68 Penny
 - 9 Globe's shape
 - 10 Regions
 - 11 Untruthful person
 - 12 Plays a part on stage
 - 13 ___ Moines, IA
 - 21 List-separating punctuation
 - 22 Inside info at the racetrack
 - 25 Gullible person
 - 26 Committed robbery
 - 27 Do great on a test
 - 28 Touch down, as a plane
 - 30 Is durable
 - 31 Shape of a rainbow
 - 32 "___ 20 pounds on that diet"
 - 33 Destructive insect
 - 34 Not tidy
 - 36 Robber at sea
 - 38 Wise ___ owl
 - 40 ___ or lamb, CA
 - 41 Ewe or lamb
 - 46 Army wake-up instruments
 - 47 "Baltimore" bird
 - 49 Creator of praiseful poems
 - 51 Higher bunk-bed berth
 - 52 Man of the hour
 - 53 Historical period
 - 54 Clumsy person
 - 55 Theater level
 - 56 Long, heroic story
 - 57 Very uncommon
 - 58 Read, as a bar code
 - 59 Energy, informally
 - 62 Explosive initials

Answer to previous puzzle

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RANCH

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Rio de Janeiro and five days before Martha Karolyi's 74th birthday. "It has everything we could possibly ask for," USA Gymnastics President Steve Penny told *The Associated Press*. "Along with what it represents to our heart and soul, as a physical facility, we couldn't go out and build it. It's been custom made what for what we want and need. You add up all the elements and it's like 'Dang, what an easy decision.'"

The Karolyis established the rustic estate in Sam Houston National Forest about an hour north of Houston in 1983, eventually expanding it to 2,000 acres. USA Gymnastics is buying 36.2 acres, including three training gyms, housing for up to 300 athletes and coaches as well as a dance studio, dining hall, medical and rehab facilities and recreational areas. The facility will also get a new name: the USA

Gymnastics Athlete Development Center at the Karolyi Ranch.

The Karolyis will keep their residence, a hunting lodge Bela Karolyi built and the remaining acreage. USA Gymnastics will have right of first refusal if the Karolyis decide in the future to sell off other parcels of land.

The USA Gymnastics board of directors unanimously approved the sale, pointing to the amenities, the location and the unique aspects of the ranch — which includes a vast array of wildlife from camels to peacocks — that have helped turn the women's national team into an international powerhouse. The five-woman team Karolyi will lead to Brazil next month is heavily favored to back up the team gold medal it won with ease in London four years ago.

"This place has stood the test of time," Penny said. "There things we have to make sure we do a little bit differently, we have to fix some things. Nothing that is going to require significant work. It's sturdy. It's a

sturdy place to be."

Karolyi announced her decision to step down after the Rio Games last summer. The Karolyis are expected to maintain a presence at the ranch, and USA Gymnastics is considering turning an older portion of the main gym — one lined with pictures, medals and trophies from major competitions dating back to the 1980s — into a museum to honor the Karolyi legacy.

"They are still a part of us," Penny said. "They will always be a part of USA Gymnastics. They're still both going to play vital roles for us in the future. Martha will always want to drift into the gym and we'll always want her to do that."

Bela Karolyi joked the sale means "freedom for him" to do as he pleases on the ranch while his wife of 54 years travels to visit family in her native Romania. Though the deal has been in the works for a while, the formal exchange of power will mark the end of an era. The Karolyis defected from Romania to the U.S. in 1981 and



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FILE - In this May 4, 2016, file photo, Marta Karolyi smiles inside the Karolyi Ranch where she and her husband, Bela Karolyi, train gymnasts, including members of the Women's National Team, in Houston. After 40 years helping some of the greatest gymnasts of all-time — from Nadia Comaneci to Mary Lou Retton to Nastia Liukin — soar to Olympic gold Martha Karolyi is ready to say goodbye. The U.S. women's national team coordinator is retiring after the 2016 games to spend time with husband Bela and travel.

the ranch played a vital part in the U.S.'s rise from also-ran to dominant force.

When Martha Karolyi was elevated to national team coordinator in 2001, she installed a centralized system

that required national team members to make regular visits to the ranch for training and to foster a team environment that can be difficult to cultivate in an individual sport. The U.S. has produced

the last three Olympic all-around champions — with reigning three-time world champion Simone Biles expected to make it four straight in Rio — while adding two Olympic team silvers from London.

BUS

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The crash shut down at least one lane of the highway that serves as the main route between Las Vegas and Phoenix.

The bus was on its way to a Dallas Cowboys fan event in Las Vegas. Charles Cooper, manager of GameWorks entertainment center in Vegas, said the session with 50 to 75 fans was scheduled for 3 p.m. PDT. People were already waiting when the president of a Las Vegas Cowboys fan club called to relay news of the accident. The event was subsequently canceled. Cooper says the team mascot was supposed to appear.

After the Las Vegas stop, the bus was scheduled to go on to Oxnard, California for the team's training camp. Members of the organization typically take a bus two weeks before the camp starts and make stops along the way.

TEXAS

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save in 22 opportunities, but not before allowing two singles and taking Paulo Orlando's liner off his right shoulder.

After stranding runners at third base in the third, fourth and fifth innings, the Rangers broke through with a clutch hit in the sixth when Mitch Moreland's two-out single scored Adrian Beltre, who began the inning with a single.

Royals starter Edinson Volquez left after six innings and 91 pitches, allowing one run and seven hits, while walking three and striking out three. It was Volquez's fifth straight start pitching at least six innings and he has a 2.87

ERA in that span.

There were scouts watching Volquez, who is eligible for free agency after this season and could be traded at the deadline.

"He pitched in and out of trouble all day long, a fantastic job," Royals manager Ned Yost said.

Rangers right-hander A.J. Griffin left after allowing four hits in five innings, including Kendrys Morales' home run in the fourth inning. Morales had three of the Royals' seven hits.

"I tried to keep them off balance as well as I could," Griffin said. "It's a good team win. Delino had a great day. I think it was good step forward for the whole team and something to build on."

The Rangers won back-to-back games for the first time since June 27-28.

PEREZ RESTED

C Salvador Perez was not in the Royals lineup for the first time since July 3 with Drew Butera behind the plate with a day game after a night game. Perez was in a 2-for-23 skid with eight strikeouts and no walks over six games before delivering a pinch single in the ninth.

RETURNING HOME

The Rangers wrapped up a nine-game, 10-day trip Sunday and play their next seven at Globe Life Park. They have played only four home games in the past 28 days from June 27 to July 24.

RANGERS

BRESLOW

Left-hander Craig Breslow, who was released Monday by the Marlins, has signed a minor league contract with the Rangers

SIGN

UP NEXT

Rangers: LHP Martin Perez, who has lost his past three starts, will start against the Athletics at Arlington.

and assigned to Triple-A Round Rock. Breslow, 35, is 22-29 with a 3.35 ERA in 539 games in the majors with San Diego, Boston, Cleveland, Minnesota, Oakland, Arizona and Miami.

TRAINER'S ROOM

Rangers: General manager Jon Daniels said he anticipates LHP Derek Holland and RHP Colby Lewis will return to the rotation on Aug. 20 and 21, the dates they are eligible to come off the 60-day disabled list.

Royals: OF Lorenzo Cain (left hamstring strain) ran before the game. "He's making progress," Royals manager Ned Yost said. "We'll evaluate it tomorrow."

DURANT

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"I think it's Clipper fans, because they cheered DeAndre (Jordan)," Myers said. "That's just my guess."

The Clippers have a fierce rivalry with the Warriors, but it seems increasingly likely Durant will be a magnet for boos throughout the league after spurning Oklahoma City to chase a championship with Stephen Curry in Oakland.

He'll return to his new home in the East Bay for what's likely to be a less hostile reception before the Americans' next exhibition, also against China.

"He won't get booed on Tuesday," Myers said.

Durant isn't taking anything for granted. He is just beginning to grasp the enormity of his move in the eyes of fans and opponents. The gifted scorer and former MVP has been widely popular around the game for most of his career, but his decision this month has made

him a target of jealousy, frustration and even derision — and not even a Team USA jersey can deflect it.

"I'm excited to go to Oakland as a member of the Warriors," Durant said. "We'll see. I don't know what to expect. I'm just going to go up there, be my normal self and do my normal routine."

Durant could need months to feel normal in a Warriors uniform, but he's getting a valuable head start during this six-week attempt to win his second gold medal

in Rio de Janeiro.

While Curry decided to skip the Olympics, Green and Thompson will be with Durant for the duration, building chemistry and togetherness as the second trio of NBA teammates to play Olympic hoops together since the NBA joined the Games in 1992.

Durant, Green and Thompson were all on court together for the first time last Friday during the U.S. blowout of Argentina in Las Vegas.

don't even think about the fact that we are teammates," Green said. "I didn't even notice that me, Klay and K.D. were out there together. ... it's definitely something that at first

is weird, but then when you get around all these guys, and it is such a great group of guys, down-to-earth, fun to hang around with, it makes everything more fun."

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