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Area law enforcement agencies engaged in training exercises Thursday at the Yankton Federal Prison Camp. ABOVE: In one scenario, several individuals, including a gunman played by Dennis Lauseng, an employee at the South Dakota State Penitentiary, who leads a hostage (played by Bobbi Jo Aune, an employee at the prison camp) to a nearby vehicle. LEFT: Local police and SWAT team members mobilize for action. (Kelly Hertz/P&D)

Ready For The Worst

Emergency Responders Conduct Hostage Drills This Week At YFPC

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ocal law enforcement dealt with a hostage standoff this week — but it was done for a good cause. Emergency responders from multiple government agencies convened Thursday at the Yankton Federal



Economy Picked Up Steam In 1st Quarter

GDP Moves Up 2.5 Percent

BY MARTIN CRUTSINGER AND CHRISTOPHER S. RUGABER AP Economics Writers

WASHINGTON — After nearly stalling in late 2012, the American economy quickened its pace early this year despite deep government cutbacks. The strongest consumer spending in two years fueled a 2.5 percent annual growth rate in the January-March quarter.

The question is: Can it last? Federal spending cuts, higher Social Security taxes and cautious businesses are likely to weigh on the economy in coming months.

Most economists say they think growth, as measured by the gross domestic product, is slowing in the April-June quarter to an annual rate of about 2 percent. Many predict growth will hover around that subpar level for the rest of the year.

Friday's Commerce Department report on GDP showed that consumers stepped up spending at an annual rate of 3.2 percent in the January-March quarter — the biggest such jump since the end of 2010. Growth was also helped by businesses, which responded to the greater demand by rebuilding their stockpiles. And home construction rose further.



a 4.1 percent annual rate, led by another deep cut in defense. Sal Guatieri, senior economist at BMO Capital Markets, foresees more improvement in the second half of the year. "The second-half acceleration will be supported by improved

Source: U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis

Prison Camp (YFPC) to conduct a mock exercise involving a hostage situation.

Although the YFPC typically holds quarterly emergency preparation drills that sometimes include other

agencies, Thursday's exercise was the largest in recent memory, according to Todd Cowman, the institution's public information officer.

It included Yankton County Emergency Medical Services, Yankton County Emergency Management, the Vermillion Police Department, Clay Area Emergency Communications, the South Dakota Highway Patrol, the South Dakota Division of Criminal Investigation, the South Dakota Department of Corrections, the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the U.S. Marshal Service.

Barricades were erected along Douglas Avenue near the YFPC Thursday morning and a sign warned motorists to proceed with caution as the scenario was played out twice during the day.

"The Yankton Federal Prison Camp and Yankton Police Department, along with personnel from several other federal, state and local agencies, conducted a full-scale tactical exercise on and near the prison grounds in Yankton," Cowman stated. "This mock drill involved a hostage situation in one of the buildings located on the Federal Prison Camp grounds."

During the first run-through, a bag was left on the prison grounds containing weapons and a cell phone. Several inmates were able to use the items to take YFPC staff members hostage.

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CORRECTION

In a story this week about the retirement of Lois Eli from the Yankton County Auditor's Office, the date of "Lois Eli Day" was incorrect. Gov. Dennis Daugaard has designated April 30 as "Lois Eli Day." The *Press & Dakotan* apologizes for the error.

KELLY HERTZ/P&D

Police and SWAT team members storm a building to take a group of hostage takers after one of the hostages is shot dead during Thursday afternoon's drill at the Yankton Federal Prison Camp.

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Local Archer Takes Aim At Making 2016 Paralympic Competition

BY LORETTA SORENSEN P&D Correspondent

Kyle Duke is aiming for a bulls-eye, both on and off the archery range.

The 24-year-old Yankton resident hopes to qualify for 2016 Paralympic archery competition. To do so, he must participate in Paralympic archery tournaments around the country during the next three years to build up points and experience.

Encouraged by coaches and other archery experts, Kyle isn't just challenged to improve his shooting skills: He's determined to do so despite some physical limitations he's dealt with since birth.

It was Kyle's father, James, who encouraged his son to begin learning archery.

"He was about 7 when I took him with me to hunt," James says. "He didn't want to try archery at first, but I kept encouraging him to try. When he was 17 and completed a hunter safety course, we bought him a crossbow. When he first started to shoot, he did all right. It was so heavy he had a hard time holding it. At first, he didn't think he could do it. He fought me tooth and nail. I kept telling him to try it because I thought he would like it. Now he's hooked."

Because he doesn't have the strength in his right arm to use it to shoot, Kyle uses a homemade device his father made so he can draw the bow with his teeth.

"It's a dog collar that he grips in his teeth," James says. "After he uses it for a while, it gets frayed, but a cigarette lighter will take care of the frayed edges whenever we need to. It lasts a long time and really works well."



PHOTO: LORETTA SORENSEN Kyle Duke of Yankton has set his sights on qualifying for the 2016 Paralympics in the archery division. He plans on participating in tournaments around the country to earn points and get more experience in the sport.

A FAREWELL TRIBUTE

District 18 Rep. Mike Stevens (left) read a proclamation from Gov. Dennis Daugaard declaring April 30 "Lois Eli Day" during an open house for Eli (right) Friday afternoon at the Yankton County Government Center. Eli will retire at the end of the month after working in the Yankton County Auditor's Office for more than 50 years. (Nathan Johnson/P&D)



Controllers To Return; Fewer Delays Expected

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BY ALAN FRAM Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Furloughed air traffic controllers will soon be heading back to work, ending a week of coast-to-coast flight delays that left thousands of travelers frustrated and furious.

Unable to ignore the travelers' anger, Congress overwhelmingly approved legislation Friday to allow the Federal Aviation Administration to withdraw the furloughs. The vote underscored a shift by Democrats who had insisted on erasing all of this year's \$85 billion in across-the-board budget cuts, not just the most publicly painful ones, for fear of losing leverage to restore money for Head Start and other programs with less lobbying clout and popular support.

With President Barack Obama's promised signature, the measure will erase one of the most stinging and publicly visible consequences of the budget-wide cuts known as the sequester.

Friday's House approval was 361-41 and followed the previous evening's passage by the Senate, which didn't even bother with a roll call. Lawmakers then streamed toward the exits — and airports — for a weeklong spring recess.

a weeklong spring recess. White House spokesman Jay Carney said Obama would sign the bill, but Carney complained that the measure left the rest of the sequester intact.

"This is a Band-Aid solution. It does not solve the bigger problem,"

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