

Crash Survivor Killed By Rescue Vehicle

SAN MATEO, Calif. (AP) — As the wreckage of Asiana Flight 214 burned, Ye Meng Yuan was lying on the ground just 30 feet away, buried by the firefighting foam rescue workers were spraying to douse the flames.

No one knows exactly how the 16-year-old Chinese student got to that spot, but officials say one thing is clear now: She somehow survived the crash.

And in the chaotic moments that followed — flames devouring the fuselage, those aboard escaping by emergency slides, flight attendants frantically cutting away seat belts to free passengers — a fire truck ran over Yuan, killing her.

The new details — released Friday by the coroner's office — compounded the tragedy for her family and confirmed the growing suspicions that emergency workers have had since soon after the July 6 crash: One of the three who died did so by rescuers' actions

"There's not a lot of words to describe how badly we feel, how sorry we feel," said San Francisco Fire Chief Joanne Haves-White

Kerry Says Israel, Palestinians To Meet

AMMAN, Jordan (AP) — After a rush of last-minute talks with Palestinian officials, U.S. Secretary of State John Kerry sealed a step toward relaunching the long-halted Mideast peace process, announcing Friday that Israel and the Palestinians had agreed on a basis for returning to negotiations. The statement, which came in a press conference after a day in which Kerry shuttled between the Jordanian capital and the West Bank, reflected how painstakingly incremental movement in the process is. While it appeared deep differences over the groundwork of talks had been bridged, the two sides are to meet — likely in the coming week — to work out final details on actually resuming their negotiations on

the toughest issues of the Israeli-Palestinian conflict. Up to the last minute, the Palestinians had been reluctant to sign on to Kerry's formula for returning to the table with

the Israelis, five years after talks broke down. Late Thursday, the Palestinian leadership said it was sticking by its demand that any negotiations on final borders between Israel and a Palestinian state be based on the ceasefire line that held from 1949 until the 1967 war, when Israel captured the West Bank, Gaza Strip and east Jerusalem. Israel rejects preconditions on the talks.

Kerry held extended talks Friday morning with top Palestinian negotiator Saeb Erekat in Amman, then spoke by phone with Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu. Kerry then flew by helicopter to meet Palestinian President Mahmoud Abbas in the West Bank town of Ramallah, although his departure was delayed by nearly three hours.

New Photos Offer Insight Into Suspect

BOSTON (AP) — After a week of chaos, the suspect in the deadly Boston Marathon bombings emerged from his hiding spot bloodied and seemingly exhausted — the red dot of a sniper's rifle lighting his forehead. Photos of Dzhokhar Tsarnaev released by a state police officer give a long-awaited glimpse into the end of an episode that kept the city and its suburbs on edge.

The images, the first of Tsarnaev from that night in April. were released to Boston Magazine on Thursday by a state police photographer angry about a Rolling Stone cover shot of Tsarnaev and hoping to counter what he said was the music magazine's glamorization of the terror suspect. The release was unauthorized, and Sgt. Sean Murphy

faces an internal investigation and possible suspension. Murphy's 14 photos show the 19-year-old Tsarnaev

emerging from his hiding spot in a drydocked boat in Watertown, just west of Boston, his right hand up in surrender in one, his head buried in his arms in another. In every picture of Tsarnaev, the red dot of a sniper's rifle sight is trained on his head.

To Watertown resident Anna Lanzo, the photos show a teen, as weary as he appears, still capable of standing, running and doing the damage she worried he'd do when she was trapped in her house three months ago while her neighborhood was on lockdown.

FAA To Public: Don't Shoot At Drones

WASHINGTON (AP) - People who fire guns at drones are endangering the public and property and could be prosecuted or fined, the Federal Aviation Administration warned Friday. The FAA released a statement in response to questions

about an ordinance under consideration in the tiny farming community of Deer Trail, Colo., that would encourage hunters to shoot down drones. The administration reminded the pub lic that it regulates the nation's airspace, including the airspace over cities and towns. A drone "hit by gunfire could crash, causing damage to persons or property on the ground, or it could collide with other objects in the air," the statement said. "Shooting at an unmanned aircraft could result in criminal or civil liability, just as would firing at a manned airplane." Under the proposed ordinance, Deer Trail would grant hunting permits to shoot drones. The permits would cost \$25 each. The town would also encourage drone hunting by awarding \$100 to anyone who presents a valid hunting license and identifiable pieces of a drone that has been shot down. Deer Trail resident Phillip Steel, 48, author of the proposal, said in an interview that he has 28 signatures on a petition roughly 10 percent of the town's registered voters. Under Colorado law, that requires local officials to formally consider the proposal at a meeting next month, he said. Town officials would then have the option of adopting the ordinance or putting it on the ballot in an election this fall, he said.

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President: Martin 'Could Have Been Me' Years Ago

Obama Offers First Personal Comment Since Zimmerman Verdict

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Justice For

Trayvon Martin

A rally participant wears a Trayvon Martin

T-shirt on Friday in a march around the

Fritz G. Lanham Federal Building in Fort

Worth, Texas, in response to the recent

verdict in the death of Florida teen

Trayvon Martin at the hands of George

the case, the president appeared to signal

that the Justice Department was unlikely

to file federal civil rights charges against

Zimmerman. Traditionally, he said, "these

are issues of state and local government,'

and he warned that the public should

Following the verdict, some civil

national conversation on race. But the

president has resisted. Before Friday, his

only comment on the verdict had been a

rights leaders called on Obama to lead a

have "clear expectations."

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BY JULIE PACE

WASHINGTON — In a rare and public reflection on race, President Barack Obama called on the nation Friday to do some soul searching over the death of Travvon Martin and the acquittal of his shooter, saying the slain black teenager "could have been me 35 years ago." Empathizing with the pain of many black Americans, Obama said the case conjured up a hard history of racial injustice "that doesn't go away.

Obama's personal comments, in a surprise appearance in the White House press room, marked his most extensive liscussion of race as president. For Obama, who has written about his own struggles with racial identity but often has shied away from the subject in office. the speech signaled an unusual embrace of his standing as the nation's first black president and the longing of many African-Americans for him to give voice

to their experiences. ognize that the African-American community is looking at this issue during his 20-minute remarks

armed 17-year-old. The verdict was cheered by those who agreed that Zimmerman was acting in self-defense, while others protested the outcome, believing Zimmerman had targeted Martin because he was black.

Despite his emotional comments on



BY JIM ABRAMS Associated Press

WASHINGTON - House Republicans voted Friday to dismantle the troubled No Child Left Behind law for evaluating America's students and schools, saving states and local school districts rather than Washington should be setting rules for ensuring that kids are getting good educations. The legislation would eliminate federally required testing of students, which has been controversial from the start. But the measure passed with no Democratic support and drew a veto threat from the Obama administration, which said it would be a "step backward" in efforts to better prepare children for colleges and ca-

Democrats in the Senate, where

they hold the majority, are working on

states greater flexibility in designing

would maintain the authority of the

prove those plans. A Senate vote on

The House bill, which Republicans

that legislation is unlikely until au-

named the Student Success Act and

Democrats dubbed the Letting Stu-

dents Down Act, passed 221-207, with

every Democrat, and 12 Republicans

background in which nearly everyone

agrees that No Child Left Behind, while

achieving some successes in improving

That partisanship comes against a

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voting against it.

federal education secretary to ap-

school improvement standards. But it

their own bill. It would also give

waivers. reers and to bring improvements to President Barack Obama said he was forced to act because Congress

waivers to bypass Congress.

student performance.

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ers were now "teaching to the test"

schools, with critics saying that teach-

and that standardized tests were being

House Education and the Workforce

given too much weight in measuring

Committee Chairman John Kline, R-

ing of education law in more than a

Minn., said the proposed first revamp-

decade was a "monumental step" that

would "grant states and districts the

freedom and flexibility they need to

think bigger, innovate, and take what-

ever steps are necessary to raise the

But throughout the week, the presi-

to the verdict, particularly by black Amer-

dent kept track of the national response

icans, and had discussions with his fam-

ilv. aides said. He was ready to address

the verdict earlier this week during a

round of interviews with Spanish lan-

never came up

with no notes

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to our boy.

guage television stations, but the matter

ers that he felt the country needed to

speech, just a frank discussion of his

hear from him — not in an interview or

views and experiences. He spoke from the

podium in the White House briefing room

to accept the verdict — "once the jury's

spoken, that's how our system works" —

he gave voice to the feelings held by

many angered by the jury's decisions.

kind of scenario, that, from top to bot-

The president spoke emotionally

about Martin's parents, Sybrina Fulton

and Tracy Martin, saving they had dis-

played incredible grace and dignity. He

never mentioned the feelings of Zimmer-

Martin's parents released a statement

following the remarks, saying, "President

Obama sees himself in Trayvon and iden-

tifies with him. This is a beautiful tribute

Zimmerman's brother, Robert, also

Fox News that "the American people need

to have some time to digest what really

happened and to do that soul searching

More Evacuations

Are Made In

Calif. wildfire

IDYLLWILD, Calif. (AP) - Residents

of another 700 homes were advised to

retreat to safety on Friday as crews

fighting a wildfire in the mountains

stable weather and erratic winds.

spread in three directions.

above Palm Springs grew increasingly

concerned about the possibility of un-

The voluntary departures by people

in Pine Cove, on the fire's western flank

tions involving 6,000 others who spent a

The blaze in the San Jacinto Moun-

tains has expanded to roughly 39 square

Some communities on the eastern

miles and was 15 percent contained,

U.S. Forest Service spokeswoman Kate

edge of the fire were reopened to resi-

dents, but about 4,100 homes remained

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man, whose brother has said the former

defendant has faced numerous death

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Even as the president urged the public

There's a sense, Obama said, "that if a

nite male teen was involved in the same

On Thursday, he told his senior advis-

AP White House Correspondent

"When you think about why, in the African-American community at least, there's a lot of pain around what happened here, I think it's important to recthrough a set of experiences and a history that doesn't go away," Obama said

A Florida jury last week acquitted George Zimmerman of all charges in the February 2012 shooting of Martin, an un-

> written statement in which he called Martin's death a tragedy and appealed for

achievement levels, is too inflexible and needs a major overhaul.

The law was passed by Congress in 2001, a bipartisan effort led by, among others, current House Speaker John Boehner, R-Ohio, and the late Sen. Ted Kennedy, D-Mass. President George W. Bush was a strong supporter and signed it into law in early 2002. It required that all students be able came in addition to mandatory evacuato read and do math at their actual grade level by 2014. But the Obama adthird day away from home as the fire ministration, in a tacit acknowledgement that the goal was unattainable

last year began offering waivers to states that came up with their own fed erally approved plans to prepare students for college and careers and to measure student and teacher performance. To date, 39 states and the District of Columbia have been granted

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South Dakota | Blood Run **New State Park Dedicated**

hills, flood plains, river

side bluffs and burial

"This really

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BY KRISTI EATON Associated Press

SIOUX FALLS — Calling it a histori cal site with cultural and archaeological significance for Native Americans, South Dakota Gov. Dennis Daugaard and Iowa Gov. Terry Branstad dedicated South Dakota's first state park in 40 years on Friday. They were joined by tribal leaders,

state legislators and officials from South Dakota's Game, Fish and Parks department at the dedication of Good Earth State Park at Blood Run, the 13th state park. South Dakota owns about 600 acres of land there, while Iowa owns several hundred acres. The ultimate goal is to join the land and create

the first joint state park in the country. Blood Run was designated a national historic landmark in 1970. The area along the Big Sioux River was used by thousands of Oneota Indians into the early 1700s. Archaeologists believe that Blood Run, a term coined by European explorers because of the nearby creek's reddish-colored water, was used as early as 6,500 B.C. The area includes a large oak forest, rolling

SD Raw Milk Farmers Upset About Second Rules Hearing

RAPID CITY (AP) — Western South Dakota farmers who produce raw milk are unhappy about having to make a second trip to Pierre next week to comment on revised state rules governing the sale

of unpasteurized milk The second hearing is being held July 26 because state Agriculture Secretary Lucas Lentsch decided to change the proposed rules after hearing from hundreds of people at the department's first hearing on June 6. The major change is that the revised safety regulations would

apply only to raw milk for sale, not milk that is offered or provided for free. Raw milk sellers have asked the Agriculture Department to let them testify through the state's Digital Dakota Network, a two-way television system, so they don't have to travel to the state Capitol for next week's hearing, the Rapid City Journal reports. Courtney De La Rosa, the depart-

ment's director of agricultural policy, said officials will look into the possibility of allowing people to testify through the television system. However, she said she doesn't know if that will be possible because the department has never used the

DDN for a rules hearing. People also can submit written comments until Aug. 5 on the revised rules, which deal with testing, labeling and other safety precautions.

Black Hills Food Freedom, an advocacy group, is opposed to the rules. Gena urst, a group member, said the pro

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member of the Omaha

tribe, was instrumental

in developing the name

park. He said the name

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Good Earth for the

came to him as he

site means to the vari-

ous tribes.

SD Sees 1st Confirmed Anthrax Case

the midwest

PIERRE (AP) — South Dakota State Veterinarian Dustin Oedekoven is urging ranchers to take steps to protect their cattle after a case of anthrax was confirmed in a calf in Turner County

It is the state's first confirmed case of the livestock disease this year.

Anthrax bacteria spores lie dormant in the ground and can become active under extreme weather conditions such as flooding and drought. Oedekoven says much of South Dakota has the potential for an outbreak, and outbreaks can kill a large number of animals in a short time. Cattle can be vaccinated against the disease

Man Faces Trial In Apartment Assault

COLUMBUS, Neb. (AP) — A trial date has been set for a Columbus man accused of pushing another man down a fligh of stairs.

The Columbus Telegram reports 36-year-old Jason Fisher has been bound for trial in district court on July 23 on a firstdegree assault charge. He waived his right to a preliminary hearing in the case.

Fisher is accused of pushing 57-year-old William Jorgenser down the stairs of a downtown apartment building at the end of May. Jorgensen suffered a crushed pelvis from the fall.

Jorgensen said he and Fisher had a disagreement inside an apartment unit where the tenant was not home. Jorgensen told authorities that Fisher shoved him as hard as he could down the stairs.

Fisher was later arrested and remains at the county jail.

Woman Injured In Sioux Falls shooting

SIOUX FALLS (AP) - Two men wanted in connection with an early morning shooting in Sioux Falls have been arrested. Authorities say a 19-year-old woman was shot about 4 a.m. Friday and taken to a hospital. Her injuries are not believed to

be life-threatening Residents of the apartment building where the shooting occurred were evacuated, and some streets in the area were blocked off for a time. Normal traffic was restored by midmorning

Sioux Falls police said Friday afternoon that a 20-year-old Sioux Falls man was arrested on counts of aggravated assault and attempt to commit a felony with a firearm. A 25-year-old man was arrested on multiple counts of aggravated assault and possession of a firearm by a convicted felon. Authorities say the shooter was an acquaintance of the

woman.

Firefighter Falls 35 Feet During Training

OMAHA, Neb. (AP) — An Omaha firefighter candidate is recovering from injuries sustained after he fell 35 feet during a training exercis

The Omaha Fire Department says the man suffered internal and external injuries from the accident Friday at the Rainwood Training Center. He is in stable condition.

The Omaha World-Herald reports the man, whose name hasn't been released, was performing a search-and-rescue drill that involved finding a small child dummy. He was in a room with several people when he fell from a window on the third floor.

Officials say the first-year probationary firefighter candidate was hired in July 2012.

Firefighters Save Cats From Lincoln Fire

LINCOLN, Neb. (AP) — Lincoln firefighters rescued three cats from a two-alarm blaze in an apartment. The fire was reported Friday morning, but before firefight-

ers arrived a passing motorist stopped and kicked in a door after learning that cats were inside. Firefighters arrived a short time later and rescued the cats

Firefighters used special oxygen equipment designed for animals to treat the cats.

The animals were taken to a shelter and are believed to be healthy

Investigators haven't determined the cause of the fire.

Board: Mayor's Aide May Be Armed

OMAHA, Neb. (AP) — Omaha Mayor Jean Stothert's chief of staff has been given the OK to carry a concealed handgun in the City-County Building.

The administrator of the Omaha Douglas Public Building Commission granted the request for Chief of Staff Marty Bilek who served for 38 years with the Douglas County Sheriff's Office. He retired from his position as chief deputy to accept the position with Stothert. Although federal law lets retired officers carry concealed weapons, Stothert had to seek approval because the City-County Building doesn't allow weapons. Stothert called it "another layer of caution." She says Bilek will carry a 9 mm handgun that he has owned for 25 years. Bilek will buy his own bullets for the gun.



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The majority opinion found that

Rocha didn't get a fair trial because

of his trial attorney's actions, mean-

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must be vacated. Rocha can be re-

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Stephan and William Cassel said the

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Supreme Court Judges Kenneth

majority's reasoning was flawed.

The dissent said the majority slipper. The children also told invescan't know whether Rocha's trial Eric Rocha. 36. of Scottsbluff. was lawyer wasn't pursuing a reasonable convicted and sentenced last year to defense strategy by not requesting 40 years to life for first-degree sexual separate trials and the jury instruction, which is "why we have held in countless cases that the record on direct appeal is insufficient for as-On appeal, Rocha argued that his

convictions should be reversed betance of counsel." cause his trial attorney was ineffec-Stephan and Cassel also took issue with the majority's conclusion tive for not seeking to have separate that requiring the defendant to first trials on the sex abuse and child get through the appeal process beabuse charges, as well as for not seeking an instruction to keep jurors fore filing a post-conviction relief mofrom considering evidence of sexual tion is a "waste of judicial time." assault to convict him of the child Neither Rocha's appeal attorney nor the Nebraska Attorney General's abuse charges and vice versa. A majority of the state's high Office, which argued the case for the court agreed Friday, noting that state before the state Supreme Court, while arguments of ineffective counreturned messages Friday seeking sel are usually addressed in postcomment. conviction action, the high court can

sessing claims of ineffective assis-



Funding for the park came from The Oneota Indians began occupyboth public and private entities. In the ing the land in the 1500s, and it is befuture, officials hope to build a visitor's lieved that the people who lived at center and add additional hiking trails. Blood Run — as many as 10,000 at its Branstad said he is excited about peak — controlled the trade of the red possibly creating the joint state park. The lowa governor was first invited to visit the land back in October. "This is all about the history and heritage of these tribes," Branstad said, later adding: "I love history, and I'm so excited to say we're going to do original inhabitants are members of some things to really preserve histhe Omaha and Ponca tribes, both now tory.

Nebraska Supreme

Court Vacates Sex

Abuse Conviction

stone that was quarried and used by Native American tribes in the Plains to make sacred pipes for ceremonies. When the Dakota Sioux took over control of the pipestone, Blood Run was abandoned. Descendants of the

based in Nebraska.

BY MARGERY A. BECK

OMAHA, Neb. — In a split deci-

sion Friday, the Nebraska Supreme

Court vacated the convictions and

accused of repeatedly raping a

sentence of a western Nebraska man

kindergartner and beating her three

Investigators detailed a horren-

dous case of abuse in which the girl

was sexually assaulted for two years

starting when she was 5 or 6 years

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dren often had marijuana smoke

blown into their faces, and that the

boys were sometimes choked and

often beaten with fists, a belt and a

tigators they often went hungry.

assault of a child and three to five

child abuse for the beatings.

vears on each of the four counts of

Associated Press

brothers.

Letter Defends Phone-Tracking

NEW YORK (AP) — In a letter to a New York judge, the U.S. government has defended its use of a phone-tracking program that collects the telephone records of millions of Americans.

The letter sent Thursday by federal prosecutors in Manhattan said it was necessary to collect and store a large volume of information about unrelated communications to fight terrorism.

The letter was the first government response to a lawsuit filed by the American Civil Liberties Union against the Obama administration. The lawsuit asked a judge to find the program unconstitutional. President Barack Obama has defended the program and said privacy must be balanced with security.



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Kramer said.

under potential threat.

area south of town.

posed rules would not increase safety. The rules are unnecessarily stringent and could halt the sale of raw milk or limit its availability by driving producers out of business, she said.





Wild Card 2 Ticket Worth \$6,000

SIOUX FALLS (AP) — A Wild Card 2 ticket sold in Sioux Falls is worth \$6,000 in the latest drawing. South Dakota lottery officials say the ticket matched all five white ball numbers but missed the Wild Card to win the game's second prize in the Wednesday drawing. The odds of winning it are 1 in about 127,000. Wild Card 2 is played in the Dakotas, Montana and Idaho. The jackpot sits at \$425,000 for the next drawing, on Saturday.

5 Hurt In House Explosion

WINNER (AP) — The state fire marshal is investigating a house explosion that injured a family of five in the southern South Dakota city of Winner. Fire Chief Darin Nelson says firefighters were called to the scene shortly before 6:30 a.m. Friday. Nelson says the family members were taken to a hospital. Their conditions were not immediately available







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