

Thousands Of Syrians Flee Into Turkey

AKCAKALE, Turkey (AP) — Thousands of Syrians cut through a border fence and crossed over into Turkey on Sunday, fleeing intense fighting in northern Syria between Kurdish fighters and jihadists.

The flow of refugees came as Syrian Kurdish fighters closed in on the outskirts of a strategic Islamic State-held town on the Turkish border, Kurdish officials and an activist group said, potentially cutting off a key supply line for the extremists' nearby de facto capital.

Taking Tal Abyad, some 80 kilometers (50 miles) north of the Islamic State stronghold of Raqqa, would deprive the militant group of a direct route to bring in new foreign militants or supplies. The Kurdish advance, coming under the cover of intense U.S.-led coalition airstrikes in the area, would also link their two fronts and put even more pressure on Raqqa.

In this Turkish border village, the refugees took by surprise the Turkish troops stationed there, who were overwhelmed by the large number of people crowding the crossing. Thousands of people had been gathering for more than a day on the Syrian side of the Akcakale border crossing before they broke through Sunday afternoon.

People threw their belongings over the fence while others passed infants into Turkey over barbed wires before following through a several-meter wide opening in the border fence.

Georgia Floods Leave 12 People Dead

TBILISI, Georgia (AP) — Severe flooding in the Georgian capital left at least 12 people dead Sunday and triggered a big-game hunt across the city for lions, tigers, a hippopotamus and other dangerous animals that escaped from Tbilisi's ravaged zoo.

Residents were warned to stay indoors as police conducted the hunt, but fear deepened as night fell on the city of 1.1 million with some of the animals still on the loose.

"The daytime wasn't bad," said resident Khariton Gabashvili, "but tonight everyone has to be very careful because all the beasts haven't been captured. They haven't been fed, and in their hungry state they might attack people."

Heavy rain turned a normally pleasant city stream into a fierce torrent that destroyed or damaged hundreds of homes in the former Soviet republic. Officials said 12 people were known to have died and about two dozen others were missing.

There were no immediate reports that any of the dead were killed by the animals, which ran off after the floodwaters destroyed their enclosures. Among the beasts that escaped were bears, wolves and monkeys.

Escaped Killers Used Contractors' Tools

DANNEMORA, N.Y. (AP) — The two killers who cut their way out of a maximum-security prison apparently used tools routinely stored there by contractors, taking care to return them to their toolboxes after each night's work so that no one would notice, a prosecutor said Sunday.

District Attorney Andrew Wylie also said that Joyce Mitchell, the prison tailoring shop instructor charged with helping the men escape, had agreed to pick them up in her car and drive off with them but backed out at the last minute because she still loved her husband and felt guilty for participating.

"Basically, when it was go-time and it was the actual day of the event, I do think she got cold feet and realized, 'What am I doing?'" Wylie said. "Reality struck. She realized that, really, the grass wasn't greener on the other side."

Wylie said there was no evidence the men had a "Plan B" once the getaway driver backed out, and no vehicles have been reported stolen in the area.

That has led searchers to believe the men are still near the Clinton Correctional Facility in Dannemora, where the manhunt was in its ninth day Sunday, with hundreds of law enforcement officers slogging through mosquito-infested woods, fields and swamps close to the Canadian border for Richard Matt and David Sweat.

Clinton Offers Advice On Trade Pact

DES MOINES, Iowa (AP) — Hillary Rodham Clinton said Sunday that President Barack Obama should use a setback in Congress to seek the best possible trade agreement with 11 other Pacific Rim nations, pointing to the stumbles over the pact as an opportunity to address Democrats' concerns about job protections and wages.

"Let's take the lemons and turn it into lemonade," Clinton told more than 700 supporters at the Iowa State Fairgrounds, addressing the controversial Trans Pacific Partnership trade proposal that has splintered Obama from House Democratic leader Nancy Pelosi and rank-and-file Democrats.

Courting Iowa voters, Clinton sought to address Democratic opponents of the trade legislation, including liberals and labor unions, who have said the Obama-backed plan will cost U.S. jobs. The agreement has not been finalized or submitted to Congress.

"The president should listen to and work with his allies in Congress, starting with Nancy Pelosi, who had expressed their concerns about the impact that a weak agreement would have on our workers to make sure we get the best, strongest deal possible," Clinton said. "And if we don't get it, there should be no deal."

The White House and Republican leaders in Congress now face long odds in reviving the legislation after congressional Democrats helped defeat a job retraining program in a blow to Obama's attempt to secure so-called fast track authority. Without the authority to negotiate trade deals that Congress can approve or reject, but not amend, the president would face difficulty in securing the Asia trade deal after years of work.

Man Linked To Dallas Police HQ Shooting Had Violent Past

BY NOMAAN MERCHANT
Associated Press

DALLAS — The man linked to a violent assault on Dallas police headquarters was accused two years earlier of choking his mother, then fleeing to an East Texas town where schools were locked down out of fear he would attack them as "soft targets," according to accounts from police and family members.

Police said the suspect, who planted pipe bombs outside the headquarters and fired at officers early Saturday from his armored van, told them he was James Boulware. He was killed hours later by a police sniper, and the medical examiner still hadn't officially confirmed the man's identity on Sunday.

In interviews with The Associated Press, Boulware's father recalled his son's seething anger at police after losing custody of his child, and his brother recalled that the family's attempts to get Boulware help were rebuffed.

"We had tried for two years," his brother, Andrew Boulware, said Sunday. "I didn't honestly think that he would ever go this far, but it was always in the back of my mind that it was a possibility."

Authorities say it was miraculous no one else was injured in Saturday's attack, in which the gunman sprayed the front of the building with gunfire just after midnight. After opening fire, the suspect drove the armored van into a squad car, still firing, then led police on a chase to a restaurant parking lot in the suburb of Hutchins. The police sniper shot him during the standoff, but it took several hours to confirm his death out of fear that he had loaded his van with more explosives.

Police on Sunday said they had put 14 officers involved in the incident on administrative leave pending an investigation.



GUY REYNOLDS/DALLAS MORNING NEWS/TNS
Boarded up windows beside the entrance to the Jack Evans Police Headquarters in Dallas provide the backdrop for the taping of a television news segment on Sunday related to the shooting incident Saturday that ended with the death of the suspect.

Boulware was arrested for family violence in Dallas two years ago, in a case that was later dismissed. According to a Dallas police report, a witness says Boulware was in his mother's house and "began talking rudely about religion, Jews and Christians." The report says Boulware then grabbed his mother by the neck for 2-3 seconds until a third person could pull him off. The two men fought until Boulware left the house.

The police report says he was then reported the same day to be in Paris, Texas, about 100 miles away, where he grabbed weapons and body armor and talked about "shooting up schools and churches." Andrew Boulware and his father, Jim, confirmed the incident.

Andrew Boulware accused authorities in Dallas of ignoring family members' statements that James was mentally unstable.

"They diagnosed him as sane in 15 minutes," Boulware said.

He remembers James claiming that he had dreamed about the shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School in Newtown, Connecticut, and other disasters before they had happened. He also remembers pleading with James Boulware to get medical help, and going to a local official but being ignored.

"He never was properly diagnosed," Andrew Boulware said. "He could be the nicest guy in the world. He tried to help friends out whenever he could. He

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OBITUARIES

Jean Brech

Jean Brech, age 89, passed away June 12, 2015 at the Avera Yankton Care Center, Yankton, SD.

Mass of Christian Burial will be 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, June 16, 2015 at St. Benedict Catholic Church, Yankton, SD with Rev. Ken Lulf officiating. Burial will be in the Sacred Heart Cemetery, Yankton, SD.

Visitations will begin at 5:00 p.m. Monday, June 15, 2015 at the Opsahl-Kostel Funeral Home, Yankton, SD with a Scripture service at 7:00 p.m. Visitations will resume one hour prior to the service at the church.

Jean was born September 27, 1925 in Yankton, SD to James and Catherine (Hilmer) Stange. Jean graduated from Yankton High School in 1944. She

married Vincent Brech in 1947 at Sacred Heart Church, Yankton, SD. She worked for Northwestern Energy for three years and for James Wagner Attorney as a secretary. She also worked for James Goetz and then for the City of Yankton for 27 years, retiring in 1989.

Jean is survived by her son Darold Brech of Yankton, SD and many nieces

and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents, husband Vincent, and one sister Carol Conrad.

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Loarine

Heckenlaible

Loarine Heckenlaible, 92, of Menno passed away Saturday, June 13, 2015, at Oakview Terrace Nursing Home, Freeman.

Funeral services will be 10:30 a.m. Thursday, June 18, at Grace Lutheran Church, Menno, with the Rev. Theresa Jacobson officiating. Burial will be in the Menno Cemetery.

Visitations will be 5:00 p.m. Wednesday, June 17, at the Aisenbrey-Opsahl-Kostel Memorial Chapel, Menno, and then one hour prior to the service at the church. Online condolences may be sent at www.opsahl-kostelfuneralhome.com.

Lucille Arens

Lucille M. Arens, 91, of Yankton died Saturday, June 13, 2015, at Avera Sister James Care Center in Yankton.

Funeral services will be 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, June 16, at the Wintz Funeral Home in Crofton, Nebraska. Burial will be in the St. Rose of Lima Cemetery in Crofton.

Visitation is Tuesday morning from 9:30-10:30 a.m. at the Wintz Funeral Home in Crofton. To send an online message to the family, visit www.wintzrayfuneralhome.com.

Edna Dendinger

Edna Cecelia Dendinger, 94 of Yankton passed away Saturday, June 13, 2015, at Avera Sister James Care Center, Yankton.

Mass of Christian Burial will be 10:30 a.m. Thursday, June 18, at St. Benedict Catholic Church, Yankton, with the Rev. Ken Lulf officiating. Burial will be in the Sacred Heart Cemetery, Yankton.

Visitations will begin at 4 p.m. Wednesday, June 17, at the Opsahl-Kostel Funeral Home and Crematory, Yankton, with a rosary at 7 p.m.

followed by a Scripture service at 7:30 p.m. Visitations will resume one hour prior to the service at the church. Online condolences may be sent at www.opsahl-kostelfuneralhome.com.

Joseph 'Joe' Schneller

KEYSTONE — Joseph E. "Joe" Schneller, 49, died June 8, 2015, near Kadoka as a result of a spray plane accident.

Joe is survived by his wife, Brenda (DeJong) Schneller, and his three beloved children: Jacob, Bridget, and Joseph, Keystone, SD; his father, Dr. John (Duke) Schneller, DDS, Custer, SD; three brothers: Dan (Jill) Schneller, Kalispell, MT; Tom (Bobbie) Schneller, Whitewood, SD; and Jim

Schneller, Rapid City, SD; two sisters: Jean (Kent) French, Rapid City, SD; and Ann (John) Dvorak, Custer, SD; father-in-law and

mother-in-law, Robert and Janice DeJong, Lesterville, SD; sisters-in-law, Rebecca (Harold) Franey, Sioux Falls, SD; Subrena (Scott) Green, Ipswich, SD; and aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces, and nephews.

Christian Funeral Mass will be offered at 11 a.m. Monday, June 15, at Blessed Sacrament Church in Rapid City. Interment will follow at 2:30 p.m. at Black Hills National Cemetery near Sturgis. A memorial has been established: c/o Joe Schneller Memorial Fund at Black Hills Federal Credit Union - any branch or by mailing it to PO Box 1420, Rapid City, SD 57709.

Osheim & Schmidt Funeral Home of Rapid City is entrusted with arrangements. Joe's online guestbook is available for friends and family to sign at www.osheimschmidt.com.

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Solitaires

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Please join us for our next social on

Wednesday, June 17th
6:00pm Potluck
6:45pm Guest Speaker
Heidi Marsh,
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September 16, October 21

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Our care and concern does not end with the funeral service. This week we remember with family and friends the anniversary of the deaths of:

Rosalie Ann Hudson who passed away June 16, 2014

Hilda Lane who passed away June 17, 2014

Fred Mehrman who passed away June 17, 2007

This remembrance is brought to you free of charge. If you have a loved one you would like remembered, contact us at Opsahl-Kostel Funeral Home & Crematory. Guiding and serving families with compassion and trust.

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