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### PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE

A monthly meeting of the Yankton County Drainage Board will be held at 4:45 P.M., Tuesday, October 15, 2013 in the Yankton County Government Center, Commission Chambers, 321 West Third St., Yankton, South Dakota.

### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held before the Yankton County Drainage Board, Yankton County, South Dakota, Tuesday, October 15, 2013, at 4:45 P.M. at the Yankton County Government Center, Commission Chambers, 321 West Third St., Yankton, South Dakota.

Said hearing is to consider the following:

Applicant is requesting a Drainage Permit to install tile drainage in Yankton County. Said properties are legally described as SE1/4, S11-T96N-R55W, hereinafter referred to as Mayfield Township, County of Yankton, State of South Dakota.

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held before the Yankton County Drainage Board, Yankton County, South Dakota, Tuesday, October 15, 2013, at 4:50 P.M. at the Yankton County Government Center, Commission Chambers, 321 West Third St., Yankton, South Dakota.

Said hearing is to consider the following:

Applicant is requesting a Drainage Permit to install tile drainage in Yankton County. Said properties are legally described as NW1/4, S11-T96N-R56W & W1/2, NE1/4, S11-T96N-R56W & E1/2, NE1/4, S11-T96N-R56W & NW1/4, NE1/4, SW1/4, S12-T96N-R56W, hereinafter referred to as Jamesville Township, County of Yankton, State of South Dakota.

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held before the Yankton County Drainage Board, Yankton County, South Dakota, Tuesday, October 15, 2013, at 4:55 P.M. at the Yankton County Government Center, Commission Chambers, 321 West Third St., Yankton, South Dakota.

Said hearing is to consider the following:

Applicant is requesting a Drainage Permit to install tile drainage in Yankton County. Said properties are legally described as N1/2, NW1/4, S2-T96N-R55W & N917', SW1/4, / S1/2, NW1/4, S20-T96N-R55W, hereinafter referred to as Mayfield Township, County of Yankton, State of South Dakota.

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## Changes Eyed For Neb. Death Penalty Protocol

LINCOLN, Neb. (AP)—Attorney General Jon Bruning says state officials have discussed changes to Nebraska's lethal injection protocol, now that a key drug is becoming scarce.

Bruning told the *Lincoln Journal Star* that he would support a change to ensure that the state can carry out executions. Bruning says he has spoken with Gov. Dave Heineman and state prison officials, and he considers that option to be on the table.

The state's three-drug protocol calls for a dose of sodium thiopental to render an inmate unconscious, followed by another drug that causes paralysis, then a third to stop the heart.

# Legendary Vietnam Gen. Vo Nguyen Giap Dies At 102

BY MARGIE MASON AND CHRIS BRUMMITT

Associated Press

HANOI, Vietnam — Gen. Vo Nguyen Giap, the brilliant and ruthless commander who led the outgunned Vietnamese to victory first over the French and then the Americans, died Friday. The last of the country's old-guard revolutionaries was 102.

A national hero, Giap enjoyed a legacy second only to that of his mentor, founding president and independence leader Ho Chi Minh.

Giap died in a military hospital in the capital of Hanoi, where he had spent nearly four years because of illnesses, according to a government official and a person close to him. Both spoke on condition of anonymity before the death was announced in state-controlled media.

Known as the "Red Napoleon," Giap commanded guerrillas who wore sandals made of car tires and lugged artillery piece by piece over mountains to encircle and crush the French army at Dien Bien Phu in 1954. The unlikely victory — still studied at military schools — led to Vietnam's independence and hastened the collapse of colonialism across Indochina and beyond.

Giap then defeated the U.S.-backed South Vietnam government in April 1975, reuniting a country that had been split into communist and noncommunist states. He regularly accepted heavy combat losses to achieve his goals.

"No other wars for national liberation were as fierce or caused as many losses as this war," Giap told *The Associated Press* in 2005 — one of his last known interviews with foreign media on the eve of the 30th anniversary of the fall of Saigon, the former South Vietnamese capital.

"But we still fought because for Vietnam, nothing is more precious than independence and freedom," he said, repeating a famous quote by Ho Chi Minh.

Giap remained sharp and well-versed in current events until he was hospitalized. Well into his 90s, he entertained world leaders at his shady colonial-style home in Hanoi.

Although widely revered in Vietnam, Giap was the nemesis of millions of South Vietnamese who fought alongside U.S. troops and fled their homeland after the war, including the many staunchly anti-communist refugees who settled in the United States.

Born Aug. 25, 1911, in central Vietnam's Quang Binh province, Giap became active in politics in the 1920s and worked as a journalist before joining the Indochinese Communist Party. He was jailed briefly in 1930 for leading anti-French protests and later earned a law degree from Hanoi University.

He fled French police in 1940 and met

Ho Chi Minh in southwestern China before returning to rural northern Vietnam to recruit guerrillas for the Viet Minh, a forerunner to the southern insurgency later known as the Viet Cong.

During his time abroad, his wife was arrested by the French and died in prison. He later remarried and had five children.

In 1944, Ho Chi Minh called on Giap to organize and lead guerrilla forces against Japanese invaders in World War II. After Japan surrendered to Allied forces the next year, the Viet Minh continued their fight for independence from France.

Giap was known for his fiery temper and as a merciless strategist, but also for being a bit of a dandy. Old photos show him reviewing his troops in a white suit and snappy tie, in sharp contrast to Ho Chi Minh, clad in shorts and sandals.

Giap never received any formal military training, joking that he attended the military academy "of the bush."

At Dien Bien Phu, his Viet Minh army surprised elite French forces by surrounding them. Digging miles of trenches, the Vietnamese dragged artillery over steep mountains and slowly closed in during the bloody, 56-day battle that ended with French surrender on May 7, 1954.

"If a nation is determined to stand up, it is very strong," Giap told foreign journalists in 2004 prior to the battle's 50th anniversary. "We are very proud that Vietnam was the first colony that could stand up and gain independence on its own."

It was the final act that led to French withdrawal and the Geneva Accords that partitioned Vietnam into north and south in 1956. It paved the way for war against Saigon and its U.S. sponsors less than a decade later.

The general drew on his Dien Bien Phu experience to create the Ho Chi Minh Trail, a clandestine jungle network that snaked through neighboring — and ostensibly neutral — Laos and Cambodia to supply his troops fighting on southern battlefields.

Against U.S. forces with sophisticated weapons and B-52 bombers, Giap's guerrillas prevailed again. But more than 1 million of his troops died in what is known in Vietnam as the "American War."

"We had to use the small against the big; backward weapons to defeat modern weapons," Giap said. "At the end, it was the human factor that determined the victory."

Historian Stanley Karnow, who interviewed Giap in Hanoi in 1990, quoted him as saying: "We were not strong enough to drive out a half-million American troops, but that wasn't our aim. Our intention was to break the will of the American government to continue the war."

Giap had been largely credited with devising the 1968 Tet Offensive, a series

of surprise attacks on U.S. strongholds in the south by Viet Cong and North Vietnamese forces during lunar new year celebrations. Newer research, however, suggests that Giap had opposed the attacks, and his family has confirmed he was out of the country when they began.

The Tet Offensive shook U.S. confidence, fueled anti-war sentiment and prompted President Lyndon B. Johnson to announce that he would not seek reelection. But it took another seven years for the war to be won.

On April 30, 1975, communist forces marched through Saigon with tanks, bulldozing the gates of what was then known as Independence Palace.

"With the victory of April 30, slaves became free men," Giap said. "It was an unbelievable story."

It came at a price for all sides: the deaths of as many as 3 million communists and civilians, an estimated 250,000 South Vietnamese troops and 58,000 Americans.

Throughout most of the war, Giap served as defense minister, armed forces commander and a senior member of Vietnam's ruling Communist Party, but he was slowly elbowed from the center of power after Ho Chi Minh's death in 1969. The glory for victory in 1975 went not to Giap, but to Gen. Van Tien Dung, chief of the general staff.

Giap lost the defense portfolio in 1979 and was dropped from the powerful Politburo three years later. He stepped down from his last post, as deputy prime minister, in 1991.

Despite losing favor with the government, the thin, white-haired man became even more beloved in Vietnam as he continued to speak out. He retired in Hanoi as a national treasure, writing his memoirs and attending functions — always wearing green or eggshell-colored military uniforms with gold stars across the shoulders.

He held news conferences, reading from handwritten notes and sometimes answering questions in French to commemorate war anniversaries. He invited foreign journalists to his home for meetings with high-profile visitors and often greeted a longtime American female AP correspondent in Hanoi with kisses on both cheeks.

He kept up with world news and offered advice in 2004 for U.S. troops fighting in Iraq.

"Any forces that wish to impose their will on other nations will certainly face failure," he told reporters.

Among the foreign dignitaries he received was friend and fellow communist revolutionary Fidel Castro of Cuba. In 2003, they sat in Giap's home chatting and laughing beneath a portrait of Vladimir Lenin, founder of the Soviet Union.

## Doctor

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Among the SDSMA's 2014 advocacy agenda items is the expansion of Medicaid.

The state has so far declined to expand Medicaid eligibility to an estimated 48,500 people, mostly adults without children.

According to The Associated Press, people earning up to 138 percent of the federal poverty level — \$15,451 for a single person or \$31,809 for a family of four — would be covered by an expansion. The federal government would fully cover spending on the extra people through 2016, and the state's contribution would rise in stages to 10 percent of the medical costs by 2020.

"I think it comes down to a worry about paying for it. It would be incredibly expensive to expand Medicaid," Heinemann said. "But our organization looked at this as a way to get more people covered. It's very apparent that a lot of the people we're talking about adding to the Medicaid rolls are working people, but they're not working at a job that gives them enough expendable income to be able to go out and buy insurance."

Other SDSMA advocacy agenda items for the year include improving public health, expanding access to health care, improving quality and patient safety, reforming medical liability, reforming Medicare, enforcing scope of practice and supporting increased funding for medical education.

Heinemann acknowledged that the health care industry is undergoing a lot of change.

"I want the people of South Dakota to know that their physicians are ready to help sort all of this out," he said. "We want to provide the care that they need."

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## Hotel

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Hartington has shown the desire to pursue business at a time when many parts of the nation continue struggling, Heineman said.

"We can grow and prosper. It's a matter of leadership," he said. "Where there is good leadership, communities are growing. You (local residents) make it happen. You're the reason that Hartington is so special."

Friday's appearance marked Heineman's second visit to Cedar County, Neb., within a 10-day span. He spoke at a Sept. 25 ribbon-cutting ceremony in Laurel, Neb., for the Laurel Bio-Composite plant.

Heineman told the *Press & Dakotan* that he shares a bond with towns such as Hartington.

"I grew up in small-town Nebraska with small-town values," he said. "It's important for me to be here (at the ribbon cutting), to show that the governor cares. This (new hotel) means a lot to the community, and I want to see that things like this continue."

Friday's program included remarks by Jeremy Griesbach of the Cobblestone corporate office; Rob Miller of the Hartington Hotel Group; Jamie Rumsey, manager of the Cobblestone

Inn and Suites in Hartington; and Brandon Baller, branch president for Security Bank and treasurer for the Hartington economic development board.

The idea for a hotel in Hartington arose from residents' desires, Baller told the *Press & Dakotan*.

"A community survey showed a need for more lodging opportunities, something for people seeking a different lodging experience," he said.

Miller took the initiative in getting the ball rolling, Baller said.

"Rob took this to the next level," Baller said. "He contacted chains, including the Cobblestone group. He found they fit (Hartington), and he liked their management style."

Miller choked back tears during Friday's ceremony, indicating he was overwhelmed by the successful effort and strong teamwork that saw the hotel come to fruition.

"I'm emotional, but it's been a long ride," he said of the project. "We hope to see more projects for Hartington, like a restaurant. We can step forward. This is a strong business community."

Hartington represents a smaller market than the

usual 5,000 to 10,000 residents in towns hosting a Cobblestone facility, Baller noted. However, Hartington serves as a regional hub for northeast Nebraska, he added.

With the new hotel, Hartington can better serve travelers and local activities such as meetings and receptions, Baller said. Area officials are also hoping the hotel will serve as a magnet for other businesses.

Hartington's economic development has remained on a roll in recent years, Baller said.

"We started the Westfield Acres housing development two years ago," he said. "We have 19 lots with 11 sold so far. We have nine homes that are up or under construction. We predicted two homes a year, and it's been averaging five a year."

Hartington has also completed a Main Street restoration project, and local businesses have started or expanded operations, Baller said. The regional farm economy remains strong, and the community enjoys a low unemployment rate, he added.

Heinemann has also remained a strong supporter of local projects, Baller said.

"The governor has shown fiscal responsibility," the

banker said. "He has led the state to good times despite the challenges that have faced other states. He is a forward-thinking person for economic development."

Cobblestone Inn and Suites operates 29 hotels at 13 different sites, with eight new hotels under construction, Griesbach said. The Hartington unit contains 29 rooms, employs eight workers and holds a beer and wine license.

"Since we opened (in Hartington), it's much better than expected," he said. "I hope we can continue that trend."

Andrew Anderson, a Cobblestone regional manager from Wisconsin, said Friday's ribbon cutting "was a great ceremony."

"The local investment group and the management team have been superb," he said. "I love that passion that Jamie (Rumsey) and her team bring to this area."

Anderson said he can't

speak specifically as to why Cobblestone located a hotel in Hartington. However, he noted a couple of factors could have supplied the tipping point.

"The location matters, and the eagerness of the local community has made a difference," he said.

Heinemann agreed on the importance of Hartington's positive attitude and strong support toward local economic development and other projects. He also pointed to the community's strong churches, schools and overall quality of life.

Those factors can be found across the state of Nebraska, Heineman said.

"We are proud of what we have to offer," he added.

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