

A New Dawn For The People Of Scotland

EDINBURGH, Scotland (AP) — Following a long night that brought floods of relief for some and bitter disappointment for others, Scotland awoke with a hangover Friday after voting to reject independence.

Now, the task was to heal the divide — and use the energy the referendum unleashed to hold London politicians to promises of more powers for Scotland.

The result — 55 percent to 45 percent — was more decisive than pollsters had foreseen and prompted Scottish First Minister Alex Salmond, who led the unsuccessful Yes campaign, to resign.

But it meant almost half of Scotland's more than 5 million people woke up in a country, the United Kingdom, that they wished to leave.

Queen Elizabeth II, who has kept out of the political debate, said Friday that "all of us throughout the United Kingdom will respect" the result.

Man Guilty In Salmonella-Poisoned Trial

ALBANY, Ga. (AP) — A federal jury convicted the owner of a peanut plant and two others Friday in a salmonella outbreak that prompted one of the largest U.S. food recalls ever, sickened hundreds across the country and was linked to several deaths.

Experts say the seven-week trial in Albany, Georgia, marked the first time corporate executives and plant workers were tried in a food poisoning case.

Former Peanut Corporation of America owner Stewart Parnell was convicted on numerous counts including conspiracy, wire fraud and obstruction of justice related to shipping tainted peanut butter to customers and faking results of lab tests intended to screen for salmonella. His brother, Michael Parnell, was also found guilty on multiple charges related to the false lab results, but was acquitted of actually shipping salmonella-tainted food.

The jury also found Mary Wilkerson, the plant's quality assurance manager, guilty of obstruction of justice for hiding information about the plant's salmonella problems from investigator. But Wilkerson was acquitted on one of two obstruction counts she faced.

The case has been closely followed by the food industry and could rattle some executives, said Bill Marler, an attorney who has represented victims of food-borne illnesses for two decades, including many who got sick after eating Peanut Corporation's food.

Citizens Question Police Scanning Plates

LOS ANGELES (AP) — A rapidly expanding digital network that uses cameras mounted to traffic signals and police cruisers captures the movements of millions of vehicles across the U.S., regardless of whether the drivers are being investigated by law enforcement.

The license plate scanning systems have multiplied across the U.S. over the last decade, funded largely by Homeland Security grants, and judges recently have upheld authorities' rights to keep details from hundreds of millions of scans a secret from the public.

Such decisions come as a patchwork of local laws and regulations govern the use of such technology and the distribution of the information they collect, inflaming civil liberties advocates who see this as the next battleground in the fight over high-tech surveillance.

"If I'm not being investigated for a crime, there shouldn't be a secret police file on me" that details "where I go, where I shop, where I visit," said Michael Robertson, a tech entrepreneur fighting in court for access to his own files. "That's crazy, Nazi police-type stuff."

A San Diego judge tentatively denied Robertson's request under California's open records law, saying all scans are part of ongoing police investigations and that divulging them could compromise criminal cases. Arguments in the case were expected Friday afternoon.

Obama Authorizes Military To Train Rebels

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Barack Obama on Friday signed into law legislation authorizing the military to arm and train moderate Syrian rebels fighting Islamic State militants in the Middle East.

Obama acted a day after a Senate vote capped congressional action on the request, which passed by wide margins despite reservation about whether his strategy will do enough to stop the surging terrorist group, which has seized large swaths of Iraq and Syria. Congress will revisit the issue after the midterm elections.

Thursday's bipartisan 78-22 tally Thursday blended support from Obama's close Democratic allies and some of his fiercest GOP critics, including top Senate Republican Mitch McConnell of Kentucky. It put leading contenders for the 2016 GOP presidential nomination on opposite sides. Some of Obama's liberal allies defected.

The legislation also provides funding for the government after the end of the budget year on Sept. 30, eliminating any threat of a shutdown in the run-up to November elections that will seat a new House and decide control of the Senate. The House approved the bill on Wednesday.

Obama said Thursday that the support from both Republicans and Democrats "shows the world that Americans are united" in combating the Islamic State group. He said the militants thought they could frighten or intimidate Americans, but the Senate vote had showed them they were wrong.

France Joins America's Side Against Islamic State Over Iraq

BY JAMEY KEATAN
 Associated Press



PARIS — France is back at America's side in conducting military strikes in Iraq.

More than a decade after spurning President George W. Bush's war against Saddam Hussein, France on Friday became the first country to join U.S. forces pounding targets inside Iraq from the air in recent weeks — this time in pursuit of militants of the Islamic State group.

Flying from the United Arab Emirates, two French Rafale jets fired four laser-guided bombs to destroy a weapons and fuel depot outside the northern city of Mosul, part of the territory the militants have overrun in Iraq and neighboring Syria, officials said.

An Iraqi military spokesman said dozens of extremist fighters were killed in the strikes. A French military official said a damage assessment had not been completed, while showing reporters aerial images of targets hit. Officials said it was at a former military installation seized by the group.

One analyst said the French action was more sym-

bolic than substantive — France's military means in the region are limited — but it could give political cover for other allies to join in and show that the U.S. is not acting alone in a country still sown with deadly violence 11 years after Saddam's ouster.

"We are facing throat-cutters," French Foreign Minister Laurent Fabius told a meeting of the U.N. Security Council that was called to show support for Iraq's government in battling the militants. "They rape, crucify and decapitate. They use

cruelty as a means of propaganda. Their aim is to erase borders and to eradicate the rule of law and civil society."

For all his political and economic troubles at home, French President Francois Hollande has again showed he will use force to fight Islamic militants to help a beleaguered government.

Other such operations in Iraq would continue in coming days, Hollande said, "with the same goal — to weaken this terrorist organization and come to the aid of the Iraqi authorities."

"In no case will there be French troops on the ground: This is only about planes that, in liaison with Iraqi authorities (and) in coordination with our allies, will allow for a weakening of the terrorist organization," he said.

Hollande stressed that France's actions were limited to supporting the Iraqi military or Kurdish Peshmerga forces, and wouldn't involve targets in Syria.

Not so long ago, coordinated French and U.S. military strikes in Iraq might have been unthinkable. But feeding off sectarian strife in Syria and Iraq, the Islamic

State group has destabilized the region and become a lure for jihad-minded youths from France, elsewhere in Europe, and beyond.

Hollande says France is operating independently in Iraq, based on a request for airstrikes from Baghdad and in coordination with its allies. The U.S. Central Command said Thursday the U.S. military has conducted 176 airstrikes in Iraq since Aug. 8.

Broadly unpopular at home, Hollande has nonetheless drawn praise for a muscular foreign policy. Iraq is the third country in which he has authorized firepower: French troops largely purged al-Qaida-linked militants from Mali in 2011, and have sought to end sectarian violence in Central African Republic.

In 2011, France and the U.S., as well as Britain, did the heavy lifting in the NATO-led airstrikes in Libya. Last year, France was ready to join possible U.S. military action against President Bashar Assad's forces in Syria, before President Barack Obama stopped short. In recent weeks, French authorities have ruefully suggested that the U.S. inaction fostered the rise of jihadists in the region.

Sierra Leone

6M Confined In 3-Day Ebola Lockdown

BY CLARENCE ROY-MACAULAY
 Associated Press

FREETOWN, Sierra Leone — Sierra Leone confined its 6 million people to their homes Friday for the next three days as the Ebola-ravaged West African country began what was believed to be the most sweeping lockdown against disease since the Middle Ages.

In a desperate effort to bring the outbreak under control, thousands of health care workers began going house to house in crowded urban neighborhoods and remote villages, hoping to find and isolate infected people.

President Ernest Bai Koroma urged his countrymen to cooperate.

"The survival and dignity of each and every Sierra Leonean is at stake," he said Thursday night in an address to the nation.

Health officials said they planned to urge the sick to leave their homes and seek treatment. There was no immediate word on whether people would be forcibly removed, though authorities warned that anyone on the streets during the lockdown without an emergency pass would be subject to arrest.

More than 2,600 people have died in West Africa over the past nine months in the biggest outbreak of the virus ever recorded, with Sierra Leone accounting for more than 560 of those deaths.

Many fear the crisis will grow far worse, in part because sick people afraid of dying at treatment centers are hiding in their homes, potentially infecting others.

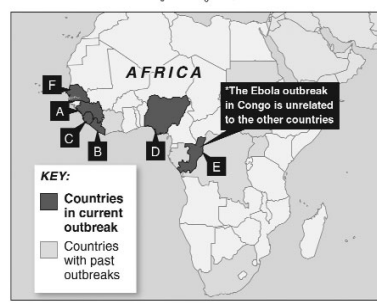
However, international experts warned there might not be enough beds for new patients found during the lockdown, which runs through Sunday.

Most people seemed to be taking the order seriously, and there were no immediate reports of resistance.

"I will protect our country from this dangerous virus," said Ishmail Bangura, a Freetown resident. "Many of our peo-

Ebola epidemic

Country	Probable/expected	Confirmed	Total of confirmed and probable/expected
Cote d'Ivoire	Cases: 182	750	932 cases
Guinea	Deaths: 166	435	601 deaths
Liberia	Cases: 1,308	812	2,120 cases
Sierra Leone	Deaths: 828	831	1,659 deaths
Sierra Leone	Cases: 160	1,513	1,673 cases
Sierra Leone	Deaths: 45	517	562 deaths
Nigeria	Cases: 2	19	21 cases
Nigeria	Deaths: 1	7	8 deaths
Congo	Cases: 18	53	71 cases
Congo	Deaths: N/A	40	40 deaths
Senegal	Cases: 0	1	1 case
Senegal	Deaths: 0	0	0 deaths



ple have died — nurses and doctors, too — so if they ask us to stay home for three days, for me it is not bad."

Across West Africa, health care workers have been attacked by villagers who accused them of spreading Ebola. Some citizens have also violently resisted efforts to quarantine them.

As the lockdown took effect, wooden tables lay empty at the capital's usually vibrant markets, and only a dog scrounging for food could be seen on one normally crowded street in Freetown.

Amid the heat and frequent power cuts, many residents sat on their front porches, chatting with neighbors.

Ambulances were on standby to bring any sick people to the hospital for isolation. The health care workers also planned to hand out 1.5 million bars of soap and dispense advice on Ebola.

"We hope and pray that when we talk to people they will take it as coun-

seling," said Rebecca Sesay, a community Ebola education team leader. "That is why we are all out here."

The World Health Organization said it has no record of any previous nationwide shutdown of this scale and suggested it has not happened since the plague devastated Europe during the Middle Ages.

The closest parallel seems to have been a plague scare in India in 1994, when officials closed off a region around the city of Surat, shutting down schools, offices, movie theaters and banks.

UNICEF said the government campaign provides an opportunity to tell people how to protect themselves.

"If people don't have access to the right information, we need to bring life-saving messages to them, where they live, at their doorsteps," said Roeland Monasch, UNICEF representative in Sierra Leone.

In a statement, the U.N. children's agency said the operation needs to be carried out "in a sensitive and respectful manner."

U.N. Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon told the General Assembly on Friday that the U.N.'s new force to fight Ebola, the U.N. Mission for Ebola Emergency Response, or UNMEER, will be headquartered in Accra, Ghana and will have offices in Liberia, Guinea and Sierra Leone.

"The mission will ... emphasize community outreach, training and education," Ban said. "Misunderstandings about the disease and how it is transmitted have hindered the response. Local leaders, including traditional and religious leaders, have important roles to play in raising awareness."

In the latest case of violence against health care workers, six suspects have been arrested in the killings of eight people in Guinea who were on an Ebola education campaign, the Guinean government said Friday.

OBITUARIES

Albert Hasek

Albert Gene Hasek of Norfolk, NE was born August 17, 1940 to Albert and Anna (Carda) Hasek near Yankton. He graduated from Yankton High School in 1958. After graduation he was drafted into the U.S. Army. After his honorable discharge, Al farmed in the Yankton area for several years. Al later moved to Norfolk and worked at Affiliated Foods for 35 years, retiring in 2000.

On July 14, 1984 Al married Beverly Hansen at St. John's Lutheran Church in Battle Creek.

Al loved to hunt, fish and tend to his large garden.

Al is survived by his wife Beverly of Norfolk, his 3 chil-

dren, A.J. Hasek of Houston, TX, Jerry Lynn Shoemaker of Colorado Springs, CO, Karmen Hasek of Norfolk, three sisters, Dorothy Bowles of Gulf Breeze FL, Mary Jane Hisek of Yankton, Charlotte Miler of Liberty, MN, six grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews.

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Rev. Robert Hopkins

Funeral services for Reverend Robert L. Hopkins, 94, of Bloomfield, Nebraska, are at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, Sept. 24, 2014, at Christ Memorial United Methodist Church in Bloomfield. The Rev. Trudy Hanke will officiate, with burial in the Bloom-

field City Cemetery.

Military Honors will be conducted by VFW Post No. 4996 and American Legion Post 249, both of Bloomfield, and the Nebraska Army National Guard Honor Team.

Visitation is 4-7 p.m. Tuesday at Christ Memorial United Methodist Church in Bloomfield.

Brockhaus Funeral Home of Bloomfield is in charge of

arrangements.

Reverend Hopkins died Friday, Sept. 19, 2014, at the Norfolk Veterans Home in Norfolk, Nebraska.

Douglas Nelsen

Douglas A. Nelsen, 64, of Yankton died unexpectedly at his residence.

Funeral services are pending with the Opsahl-

Kostel Funeral Home & Crematory, Yankton.

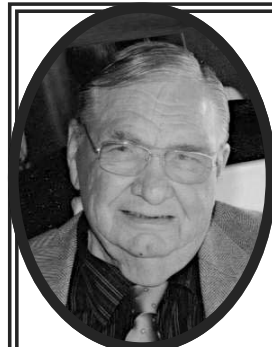
Thelma Palsma

Thelma Palsma, 95, of Springfield died Friday, Sept. 19, 2014, at St. Michael's Hospital in Tyndall.

Funeral Services are at 11 a.m. Friday, Sept. 26, at the Crosby-Jaeger Funeral Home in Springfield. Burial is in the

Emmanuel Reformed Cemetery, rural Springfield.

Visitation will be the hour before services, from 10-11 a.m., at the funeral home.



The family of **Wayne Sorenson** wishes to thank all the physicians and staff at Avera Sacred Heart Hospital who have cared for him in the last year. He always spoke highly of you all. We wish to thank our families and friends for their support, for the food, plants and flowers. Thanks to Goglin Funeral Home staff for their assistance, to the pallbearers and to Pastor Wildermuth for the meaningful prayer and funeral service. To Marilyn Nyberg for the music and to the Trinity Church Women who served the luncheon. We are truly thankful for everyone who shared in Wayne's life experiences.

God Saw You Getting Tired

God saw you getting tired and a cure was not to be.

So He put His arms around you and He said "Come to me."

With tearful eyes,

we watched you pass away.

Although we loved you dearly we could not make you stay.

A golden heart stopped beating, hard working hands at rest.

God broke our hearts to prove to us,

He only takes the best.

Cecilia Sorenson
Sandi (Glenn) Lineback & Family
Curtis (Vicky) Sorenson & Family
Sheila (Dennis) Beaner
David (Kem) Drotzmann & Family
Cbris (Jana) Drotzmann & Family
Sarah (Randy) Waring & Family



IN REMEMBRANCE

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 10:30 AM, Saturday
 Holy Trinity Catholic Church
 Hartington

Anna M. Ausdemore
 9:00 AM, Saturday
 St. Joseph's Catholic Church
 Constance

Sister Marie Kranz, OSB

11:00 AM, Tuesday
 Bishop Marty Memorial Chapel
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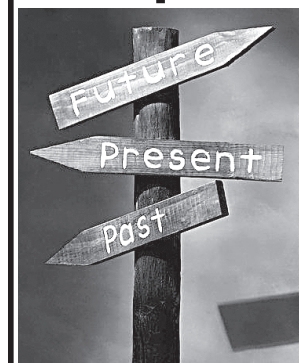
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