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Thai Prime Minister Mr Abhisit Vejjajiva to pay official visit to Myanmar

NAY PYI TAW, 8 Oct—At the invitation of U Thein Sein, Prime Minister of the Union of Myanmar, His Excellency Mr. Abhisit Vejjajiva, Prime Minister of the Kingdom of Thailand, will pay an official visit to the Union of Myanmar in the near future.—MNA

Maj-Gen Aung Than Htut inspects environmental conservation in Inlay Lake

NAY PYI TAW, 7 Oct—Maj-Gen Aung Than Htut of the Ministry of Defence, accompanied by Chairman of Shan State Peace and Development Council Commander of Eastern Command Brig-Gen Hsan Oo, inspected making water course in Inlay Lake yesterday and attended to the needs for the environmental conservation.

An official concerned reported to him on making water course for proper navigation, greening tasks and environmental conservation. Maj-Gen Aung Than Htut inspected the conservation tasks in the lake.

At PhaungdawU Pagoda in the lake, Maj-Gen Aung Than Htut and the commander assisted in the work for greening the 20-mile radius of the lake, environmental conservation and making water course.

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A trip to Kayah State, facilitated with road and bridge network

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Today, the government is speeding up the drive to realize nation-building endeavours all over the country. Despite Kayah State sitting in far-flung area, it now possesses complete transport infrastructure.

In the past, Kayah State faced lack of transport facility. Before 1988, the state saw only 126 miles long tarred road and 270 miles long earth road but now it owns 277 miles and 5 furlongs long tarred road, 303 miles and 7.5 furlongs long earth road including 423 small and large bridges, reflecting the sign of development.

Superintending Engineer U Khin Maung Phyu explained, “Of the two over 180-foot bridges in the state, Hteesekha Bridge was opened on 29 June 2009. It is 277th of its kind in the country. Htoochaung Bridge, which will link Phasaung Township and Mesae Township, is scheduled to open at the end of this budget year.”

We headed for southern Loikaw from the office of Public Works. It reaches up to Toungoo of Bago Region passing through Yado-Leiktho Road. The new road from Loikaw to Toungoo is only 131 miles long. We paused a while on bridge No. 1/135 and witnessed the bridge is advanced concrete type one.

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Raise crops cultivation and production

As climate change occurs across the world, all the agro-based countries are facing big challenges concerning agricultural sector. Thus, the international community and regional countries are joining hands in solving problems resulting from above-mentioned challenges.

The 30th Food and Agriculture Organization Regional Conference for Asia and the Pacific took place in Gyeongju of the Republic of Korea on 30 September. The conference focused on food sufficiency and programmes to protect crop cultivation and production from harmful climate changes.

Agricultural tasks in Myanmar are facing impacts of climate change more or less. Arrangements are being made in order not to harm crops cultivation and production.

Earest efforts are being made for adequate supply of water for agricultural purpose as the agricultural sector plays a pivotal role in carrying out national economic development. The government is seeking and exploring water resources. Dams, river water pumping projects and underground water tapping works are being undertaken across the nation.

So far, a total of 233 dams, 327 river water pumping projects and more than 8,000 underground water tapping works have been undertaken in two decades. As a result, the irrigated sown acreage have increased, and the water supply facilities benefit the extended cultivation of beans and pulses, edible oil crops, long staple cotton and others through double cropping pattern in addition to monsoon and summer paddy.

Nowadays, over 1500 million baskets of paddy can be produced. Thus, surplus paddy and other crops are to be exported. Myanmar, being a member of FAO, is focusing on cooperation with Asia and the Pacific region and making relentless efforts for increasing cultivation and production capability so as to develop the agricultural sector.

UCEC member meets Pyay district/township subcommission members

Nay Pyi Taw, 7 Oct—Member of the Union Election Commission Dr Daw Myint Kyi together with Bago Region Election Subcommission Chairman U Myint Aung and members attended demonstration of voting process at No. 1 Polling Station in Hsandaw Ward, Pyay Township on 5 October.

UCEC member Dr Daw Myint Kyi then met Pyay District Subcommission Chairman U Moe Swe and members, and township subcommission chairman and members at the office of Bago Region (West) Peace and Development Council.

The district/township subcommission chairmen and Bago Region subcommission chairman reported on arrangements for electoral process.—MNA

A&I Minister discusses agriculture sector

Nay Pyi Taw, 7 Oct—Minister for Agriculture and Irrigation U Hlay Oo while in the Republic of Korea met Senior Executive Vice-President Mr Jae-Io Lee of C.J. Cheil Jedang Corporation at C.J Food Villa of Koo San Tower in Seoul. They discussed purchase of Myanmar agricultural produce and investment prospect in Myanmar.

On 1 October, the minister went to Farm Implements Factory of Tong Yang Mooi San Company in Iksan where he observed products of the factory and discussed cooperation in agriculture sector. He also met KOICA President Mr Park Dae Won at KOICA Headquarters where they held discussions on development of agriculture sector, human resources sand rural region.

He received CEO Mr Yong-Hee Kim of Nang Woo Bio Co Ltd and Chairman Mr J K Choi of Auto Industrial Group (AIG) Co Ltd. On 2 October, the minister received biodiesel producer Mr Vinai Sereeothium (AIG) Co Ltd and Advisor to Thai Labour Ministry Mr Dunrong Ngardide at the lounge of Suvarnabhumi Airport in Bangkok, Thailand.

The minister together with officials concerned left for Myanmar in the evening.—MNA

MYANMAR GAZETTE

Nay Pyi Taw, 7 Oct—The State Peace and Development Council has appointed the following person as heads of service organizations shown against each on probation from the date they assume charge of their duties.

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Talks on traffic rules given

Yangon, 7 Oct—Sub-Inspector Tin Aye of No. 6 Traffic Police Area of Wireless and Traffic Police Corps of Yangon Region Police Force and party gave talks on traffic rules at No. 1 Basic Education High School in Dagon Myothit (North) Township yesterday.

Similarly, Police Captain Min Zaw of No. 5 Traffic Police Area and party lectured on traffic rules at No. 4 Basic Education Middle School in South Okkalapa Township.—MNA
Four tornadoes tear across N Arizona, damage homes

BELLEMONT, 7 Oct—A rare swarm of tornadoes shoved semis off highways and destroyed homes in the pre-dawn darkness Wednesday, leaving startled residents wondering if they were in Arizona anymore or had woken up in the twister-prone Midwest.

After one tornado rumbled through Bellemont around 5:30 with wind speeds of up to 110 miles per hour, residents armed with flashlights emerged from their homes to check on the damage a house splintered, windows smashed, garage doors twisted, but no major injuries.

“A running through the house, all the Kansas movies go through your head telling you: ‘Move to the basement, ’’ Breauna Hunt said. “But we don’t have a basement.”

Another tornado struck minutes later, east of the small town of a few hundred people nestled in the Ponderosa pines just west of Flagstaff. Weather forecasters confirmed a total of four twisters, including one reported around noon along Interstate 17 south of Flagstaff. —Xinhua

Taleban commander, seven others killed in NATO attack

KABUL, 7 Oct—An airstrike and a raid by ground troops killed eight insurgents, including a senior Taleban leader who spearheaded attacks against Afghan security forces, NATO said Thursday as the war in Afghanistan entered its 10th year.

Maulawi Jawadullah — accused of organizing deadly ambushes, roadside bomb attacks, and abductions of Afghan police and soldiers in northern Afghanistan — was killed in the airstrike Wednesday in Takhar Province, an alliance statement said.

Jawadullah was linked to the recent deaths of 10 Afghan National Police officers during an attack on a police station in neighbouring Kunduz Province, the statement said.

Seven other Taleban also died in the assault, including three who opened fire from a forest when coalition forces moved in following the airstrike, NATO said.

Thursday was the nine-year anniversary of the American invasion of Afghanistan, a frustrating benchmark for those who expected a quick exit after small targeted forces toppled the Taleban from power in 2001.

“NATO is here and they say they are fighting terrorism, and this is the 10th year and there is no result yet,” Karzai said in an emotional speech last week. “Our sons cannot go to school because of bombs and suicide attacks.”

Even as NATO touts success at routing the insurgency, there are signs that it is losing the trust of the Afghan people. —Internet

Gunmen kill crime lab chief in northern Iraq

BAGHDAD, 7 Oct—Gunmen in the northern Iraqi City of Mosul ambushed and killed the director of the city’s crime lab Tuesday in the latest targeted killing of security officials and government workers around Iraq, police said.

A wave of bombings and shootings have hit Baghdad and elsewhere in the recent weeks blamed on Sunni insurgents. US and Iraqi officials speculate that the pinpoint strikes seek to discredit the Shiite-led government after a seven-month political standoff following parliament elections in March.

Gunmen blocked the car of Col Mohammed Aziz near his home in Mosul and opened fire with weapons fitted with silencers, police officials said.

Near the southern city of Najaf, meanwhile, a parked motorcycle packed with explosives exploded as a US military patrol passed, security officials said.

There were no casualties reported. The US military did not immediately provide details of the reported attack. —Internet

Three dead in bomb blast at apartment near Bangkok

BANGKOK, 7 Oct—A bomb ripped through an apartment complex on the outskirts of Bangkok on Tuesday, killing at least three people, police said hours after authorities prolonged a controversial state of emergency.

The blast - believed to have occurred in a room on the second floor of the residential complex in Nonthaburi Province north of Bangkok — shattered windows and damaged nearby buildings.

“It was definitely a bomb. We cannot say what type of bomb it is yet. But it was a massive bomb because it damaged large area,” said national police spokesman Major General Prawut Tawornsiri.

“We have found three bodies at the scene, but (the death toll) could be more. We had to stop searching as we’re afraid that the building may collapse,” he said.

It was unclear whether the blast was planned. —Internet

Pakistan doesn’t reopen border despite US apology

ISLAMABAD, 7 Oct—Pakistan says it has not decided when to reopen a key border crossing used to ship NATO supplies to Afghanistan despite a US apology for a helicopter attack that killed two Pakistani soldiers.

Abdul Basit, Pakistan Foreign Ministry spokesman, said Thursday that a decision to reopen the Torkham crossing will be made “in due course.”

Both the US and NATO apologized for the 30 Sept attack on Wednesday, saying the American helicopters mistook Pakistan soldiers for insurgents they were pursuing across the Afghan border.

Pakistan closed Torkham to NATO supply convoys on the same day as the attack, leaving hundreds of trucks stranded along the country’s highways. Militants have taken advantage of the impasse to attack the convoys. —Internet

A man walks through a Bellemont, Ariz, backyard after a tornado swept through the community west of Flagstaff on 6 Oct.—Xinhua

Afghan policemen inspect a vehicle chassis at a checkpoint in Kandahar City, south of Kabul, Afghanistan, on 6 Oct, 2010. —INTERNET

A man killed in a blast is surrounded by his relatives in a hospital in Kandahar city, south of Kabul, Afghanistan, on 5 Oct, 2010. —INTERNET

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Scientists find new species in Papua New Guinea

SYDNEY, 7 Oct—A thumbnailed-sized frog with a long snout, a brilliant green katydid with bright pink eyes and a mouse with a white-tipped tail are among 200 species scientists have discovered in the remote mountains of Papua New Guinea.

The findings were unveiled this week by Washington DC-based Conservation International, whose researchers discovered a kaleidoscopic array of critters during two expeditions to the South Pacific island nation in 2009. Among the finds: 24 frog species, scores of ants and spiders and around 100 species scientists have tipped tail are among 200

One star birth scenario debunked by ‘living fossil’ galaxies

MELBOURNE, 7 Oct—The discovery of what scientists call “living fossil” galaxies afflicted with cosmic turbulence is shedding light on how stars are born.

In the study, astronomers investigated a set of rare, relatively modern galaxies that have the same type of unusual turbulence found in more ancient galaxies”. They’re living fossils of space — galaxies we just didn’t expect to find in today’s world,” said study co-author Andrew Green, an astronomer with Swinburne University in Australia, in a statement. The findings could shed new light on the persisting mystery of star formation, astronomers said.

A better Apple TV doesn’t beat competition

NEW YORK, 7 Oct—Apple is a pioneer in many fields, but in the race to connect our TV sets to the Internet, it’s been lagging badly.

Three years ago, the company put out a small box called the Apple TV that brought iTunes movies to the TV set, but it was too cumbersome and expensive to be a success. Now, there’s a new, revamped and cheaper Apple TV, costing $99. It mainly represents Apple Inc. catching up to what competitors have been doing in the intervening years. However, with Apple being Apple, it also has some nifty features that set it apart. So what is the Apple TV? Every time I wrote about Apple TV, I was compelled to point out that despite the name, it’s not a TV set. It’s a black box that comes with a small remote. You connect it to your TV set either directly or through a receiver. It shows a computer-like interface on the TV screen, which you navigate using the remote’s buttons.

To connect the Apple TV to the Internet, you enter the password for your Wi-Fi hotspot, or connect the box to your router with an Ethernet cable. Once online, you can start venturing TV shows and movies from Apple. You can also watch Internet movies from Netflix, if you have an account. In setup and operation, the new Apple TV is simpler than the old, which was more like a small computer, with a hard drive of its own. It was designed to download shows from iTunes or your computer, then play them back. By contrast, the new one has no hard drive, which makes it smaller and cheaper, and it is designed to play video as it “streams” from the Internet rather than storing them.

Verizon says fast 4G wireless coming to 38 cities

NEW YORK, 7 Oct—Verizon Wireless said Wednesday that its new wireless broadband network, which offers higher data speeds initially for laptop users, will be live before the end of the year in the cities on the Boston-to-Washington stretch as well as in California, Chicago, Miami, Atlanta, Dallas, Houston, Seattle and other areas.

In all, Verizon aims to cover 38 cities and a third of the country’s population with its so-called fourth generation, or 4G, network before the end of the year. In addition, it’s lighting up more than 60 airports. Verizon had previously said that it aimed to cover 25 to 30 cities by the end of the year, without identifying them. The target market for the 4G service is initially business users who need Internet connections on the go. Verizon says phones and tablets computers that can take advantage of the higher speeds will come next year.

Yahoo revs up search results in turnaround quest

SAN FRANCISCO, 7 Oct.—Yahoo Inc is jazzing up its Internet search results in an effort to orchestrate a revenue revival.

The additional features will begin appearing Thursday on Yahoo’s US website. The new tools are designed to get people to the information they seek more quickly, especially for major events. Some of these shortcuts have already been available on Yahoo, but now there will be even more options and snippets featured in capsules appearing at the top of the results page.

More marketing messages, including the online billboards known as display ads, may also crop up on searches that appear to be spurred by a quest to buy merchandise. Yahoo hopes to distinguish itself from its Internet search partner, Microsoft Corp.’s Bing, by making its own results more useful. Although it’s relying on Microsoft for most of its search results to save money, Yahoo still has the ability to dip into its own bag of technological tricks.

Microsoft’s Bing may not yet be the search engine of choice for many people, but it could be in the near future. The company has been making strides in recent months, particularly in the mobile space, where it has been able to draw users away from Google.

One recent development was the release of a new app for Windows Phone 7, which allows users to search for images and videos directly from the phone. This could be a game-changer for Microsoft, as it has been struggling to compete with Google in the mobile space.

Nevertheless, despite these successes, Bing still lags behind Google in terms of overall market share. As such, Microsoft will need to continue to innovate in order to keep up with its competitor. This means developing more intuitive search algorithms, as well as improving the user experience on its platform.

As for Yahoo, the company has been making efforts to revitalize its search business in recent years. It recently acquired search analytics firm Odnopersonal, which provides marketers with insights into how users interact with search results.

Such services could be particularly valuable for Yahoo, which has a larger number of users than Microsoft. By providing this kind of data, Yahoo could help advertisers better understand their audience and improve the effectiveness of their campaigns.

Overall, while Microsoft’s Bing may not yet be the search engine of choice for many people, it is making strides in recent months. As such, the company will need to continue to innovate in order to keep up with its competitor. For Yahoo, the company will need to make further efforts to revitalize its search business, particularly by improving the user experience on its platform.
**Health**

**Health Tip: Help keep feet healthy**

Your feet have a weighty responsibility, so treat them right to help keep them healthy. The American Podiatric Medical Association offers these suggestions for taking care of your toes:

- Make sure your shoes fit correctly and comfortably; those that have a soft upper area and a sturdy sole are best.
- Go shoe shopping later in the day, when feet are more swollen than in the morning.
- Walking is a great form of exercise for your feet.
- Make sure stockings and pantyhose fit correctly, and change those with more frequent seams.
- Don’t try to cut off corns or calluses on your own; see a podiatrist for treatment.
- Keep toenails trimmed in a straight line.
- Scrub your feet each day in warm water with gentle soap, and give them a careful once-over to look for foot problems.

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**World Bank and IMF at odds over hot money flows**

Emerging economies should consider steps to contain fund flows that could cause currency rallies and asset bubbles, the World Bank chief was quoted as saying, but the International Monetary Fund called such actions “undesirable.”

The contrasting views over capital controls come amid rising tension between emerging and developed economies over exchange rates, which is expected to be a hot topic at Group of Seven and International Monetary Fund meeting starting on Friday.

Western leaders are worried efforts by emerging economies to weaken their currencies could derail the fragile economic recovery. Officials from developing countries are fueling mass fund flows into their markets, pushing up their currencies and inflating prices of stocks, property and other assets.

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**SABMiller eyes $9.5 billion Africa Castel beer buy**

SABMiller is the world’s second largest brewer after AB InBev (ABI.BR) and brews Peroni, Miller Lite and Grolsch. SABMiller and Castel were not immediately reachable over hot money flows

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**Samsung 3Q earnings likely to fall from record**

Samsung-manufactured Galaxy S mobile phone at a shop in Seoul. The successful launch of the smartphone helped compensate for a weak performance by its television and flat panel businesses.

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**Lead poisoning spikes in Nigeria, aid group says**

Dakar, 7 Oct—An international aid agency says 400 children have died from lead poisoning in northern Nigeria and contamination has spread to two more villages.

The UK-based office of Doctors Without Borders says residents in Zamfara state are receiving treatment after small-scale gold mining operations poisoned the area beginning in March.

The mining operations involve crushing and drying ore to extract bits of precious metal. The most recent batches of ore also contained lead. The mining process spread lead particles throughout the villages, contaminating living quarters, communal areas and water supplies.

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Seoul, 7 Oct—Samsung Electronics, the world’s biggest seller of computer memory chips, forecast Thursday that third-quarter operating profit likely eased from the previous period on lower selling prices and slowing shipments. Major economies in Europe and Japan are expected to restrain consumer spending. Major economies in Europe are also growing at an anemic pace. Aside from dominance in chips, Samsung is the world’s biggest seller of liquid crystal displays and flat-screen televisions and ranks No 2 in mobile phone handset sales after Finland’s Nokia Corp. Samsung estimated consolidated sales of between 39 trillion won and 41 trillion won for the third quarter. That compares with sales of 35.9 trillion won a year earlier. The company expects consolidated sales of between 39 trillion won and 41 trillion won ($4.1 billion to $4.5 billion) for the three months ended June. That would be higher than the 35.9 trillion won recorded in the third quarter last year but less than the 5.01 trillion won racked up in the second quarter this year. —Reuters

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**NY seeks to ban sugary drinks from food stamp buys**

New York, 7 Oct—New Yorkers on food stamps would not be allowed to spend them on sugar-sweetened drinks under an obesity-fighting proposal being floated by Mayor Michael Bloomberg and Gov David Paterson.

Bloomberg and Paterson planned to announce Thursday that they are seeking permission from the US Department of Agriculture, which administers the nation’s food stamp programme, to add sugary drinks to the list of prohibited goods for city residents receiving assistance.

If approved, it would be the first time an item would be banned from the federal programme based solely on nutritional value. The idea has been suggested previously, including in 2008 in Maine, where it drew criticism from advocates for the poor who argued it unfairly singled out low-income people and risked scaring off potential needy recipients.

And in 2004 the USDA rejected Minnesota’s plan to ban junk food, including soda and candy, from food stamp purchases, saying it would violate the Food Stamp Act’s definition of what is food and could create “confusion and embarrassment” at the register. —Reuters

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**SABMiller eyes $9.5 billion Africa Castel beer buy**

LONDON, 7 Oct—Global brewer SABMiller (SABLB) is in talks to buy the African beer operations of the privately-held French drinks group Castel in a deal worth 6 billion pounds ($9.5 billion), the Times of London said on Thursday.

The newspaper said founder Paul Castel’s reduced involvement in the company signals that the next generation may be open to offers, but added that until recently there had been no indication that the family might sell.

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Esteemed national brethren voters,

I would like to extend greetings, wishing you all health and happiness.

With holding multiparty democracy general elections in accord with changes and developments in Myanmar historical course in the not too distant future, we will have to build a peaceful, modern and developed nation. So all national brethren voters will have to cast votes to choose their own representatives in different Hluttaw in the interest of the future State. As a public member’s vote can decide the future of his own country, voters have to take thorough consideration before casting votes freely. By doing so, a modern and developed nation inspired by all national brethren will be built with the success of discipline-flourishing multiparty democracy system elections.

Our “Wa” Self-Administered Division was given birth together with emergence of the Constitution of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar (2008). It can be said that the WA Democratic Party was given birth in accord with the Constitution of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar (2008). No one can deny that the Constitution (2008) is the one that can fulfill the basic political, economic and social needs of all national brethren and that can guarantee liberty, community peace and stability and development of the entire people and equality in the Union. So I believe that the Constitution (2008) is the one reflecting the present condition of all national brethren.

Provisions of the Constitution are come from basic principles and detailed basic principles laid down by the National Convention held from 1993 to 2007. Altogether 14 “Wa” national delegates — five delegates of “Wa” peace group from Special Region (2) as invited persons, five delegations from “Wa” National Development Party and four from Delegates of National Races— attended the Convention. I would like to present why our “Wa” nationals actively participated in the Convention. “Wa” region had been neglected during successive eras and was lagged behind other regions in development. Before 20 years ago, the region was under threat of BCP insurgents for 30 years. At that time, local people encountered various forms of miseries bitterly. We want to enjoy the essence of Constitution 2008 in reality in order not to lose rights prescribed in the Constitution and not to see again above-mentioned miseries, and in order to implement tasks of ensuring community peace and stability, law and order and regional development. So fifteen representatives comprising Shan, Kachin and Kokang nationals including “Wa” southerners and northerners in “Wa” Self-Administered Division held coordination meeting and decided to form the WA Democratic Party.

Esteemed national brethren voters,

As our WA Democratic Party made a resolution to serve the interest of “Wa” Self-Administered Division, one of the parts of the State, we firmly believe that a work programme of ensuring community peace and stability, law and order and regional development should be given top priority. With the concept that only with united efforts of all national brethren, true vision and pragmatic way, will success be achieved, the WA Democratic Party is systematically implementing party’s aim, faith, resolution, policies and work programmes including party’s stances on national races affairs, peasant affairs, worker affairs, national entrepreneur affairs, Tatmadaw and religious associations as well as education, health, women affairs, youth sector, other social organizations and party’s foreign policy.

I would like to present the party’s aim.

We will strive to ensure eternal peace and stability in “Wa” Self-Administered Division and all-round development of all national brethren living in the Division. We firmly believe that only with united efforts of all national brethren, true vision and pragmatic way, will success be achieved in accord with the aim of the party. Accordingly,

(1) We will strive for perpetual existence of Self-Administered Division flourishing peace and stability and development.
(2) We will strongly uphold non-disintegration of the Union, non-disintegration of National solidarity and perpetuation of sovereignty as inborn duty.
(3) We are making a resolution to be able to realize the party’s aim, policy and work programmes.

Esteemed national brethren voters,

We have adopted strong policies to be implemented systematically in accord with our WA Democratic Party’s aim and belief. Let me explain our party’s policies.

1. To ensure perpetual existence of “Wa” Self-Administered Division in the Union of Myanmar
2. To ensure national solidarity
3. To flourish true patriotism
4. To ensure community peace and prevalence of law and order
5. To ensure all-round development in the region
6. We will make alliances with other parties, organizations and persons that share policy and work programme with us, building mutual respects, and work together with them in all possible economic fields.
7. We will provide all necessary assistance for development of economic and social sectors.
8. We will constantly uphold Our Three Main National Causes namely non-disintegration of the Union, non-disintegration of National solidarity and perpetuation of sovereignty.
9. We will strive for all national brethren to enjoy peace and prosperity, thereby flourishing worldly values such as justice, liberty and equality in the country.
10. National brethren live together in the country through thick and thin, so we will try to ensure racial equality and equal rights and privileges and to fortify amicable relations and mutual trust between national races.
11. Regarding the foreign policy, we will try to maintain principles of peaceful coexistence focusing on global peace and peaceful coexistence of nations in accord with the independent foreign policy.
12. Being a member of the United Nations, we will adhere to the basic principles of the UN — mutual respect for each other’s territorial integrity and sovereignty, non-aggression and friendly relations on the basis of equality.

I would like to continue to present the party’s work programme.

1. To ensure that all national brethren live together unitedly in “Wa” Self-Administered Division
2. To ensure perpetual existence of community peace
3. To improve living standard of national races in “Wa” Self-Administered Division
4. To ensure community peace and prevalence of law and order
5. National races to be endowed with Union spirit

Esteemed national brethren voters,

I would like to continue to present the party’s stance on class affairs.

1. To encourage the national races to develop their language, literature, culture and customs
2. To ensure that peasants and workers will fully enjoy basic rights in accord with the law and to encourage them to develop their businesses
3. To implement market-oriented policies, enabling national entrepreneurs to be able to develop social and economic sectors, and to ensure equal distribution of profits
4. To combat corruption and malpractices
5. To take care of the aged, orphans, vagrant youths, the disabled and helpless women
6. To adopt free compulsory primary education and to encourage scholarship studies under private arrangement
7. To create opportunity for the aged to have access to free treatment in public health programme
8. We accept the State defence force formed with Tatmadawmen who are offspring of the national people as patriotic force that has been safeguarding the State. We firmly believe that only when, there is a strong, modern and developed Tatmadaw, will it be able to safeguard the nation with military might.

Esteemed national brethren voters,

The election day of the Union of Myanmar is getting near day by day. A good opportunity is in the hands of the people for self-determination. Thus, the people from all walks of life are to place emphasis on realization of multiparty democracy system and construction of a modern and developed new nation. Our WA Democratic Party disperses Metta to all the national brethren voters to be able to choose the public candidates correctly.
The Union of Myanmar is a country where the national brethren have been living unity and amity. It is a sovereign and independent nation. I wish all the people including members of the Sangha physical and mental well-beings and free from dangers. Myanmar lost sovereignty in the past for many times due to weak points of feudalism, colonialism and Fascism. In waging against colonialists and in activities of national liberation through the strength of national unity, our national brethren sacrificed many lives. On 4th January 1948, Myanmar could stand tall as a sovereign and independent nation among the global countries.

Upholding national unity and its perpetuation, our Kayin nationals joined hands with the people to successfully combat oppression, exploitation, manipulation, power abuse and suppression over our nation.

We will steadily discharge duties for the sake of the interests of the nation and the people. We will sacrifice to enjoy rights. In the successive eras, the people have been inheriting good legacy of sacrifice, bravery and generosity from the forefathers. As a result, Myanmar became a great country. It is known to the entire people that it benefited all the citizens and others.

At this juncture, I would like to present the correct attitude of our party. Page 1 of the preamble of the constitution of Phalon-Sawaw Democratic Party is mentioned as follows:-

1. Our party will pay respects to rights of human beings (living things).
2. Our party will pay respects to anti-violence, truth and justice.
3. Our party will abide by friendly cooperation policy and world peace policy.
4. Our party will peacefully cooperate with the people to oppose the injustices.
5. Our party will preserve the fine traditions, culture and customs of Myanmar national.
6. Our party will cooperates with the people in flourishing truth, anti-violence (Ahimsa) and justice in the nation.
7. Our party will join hands with the people to successfully combat oppression, exploitation, manipulation, power abuse and suppression over our nation.
8. Our party will uphold anti-humanitarian acts.
9. Our party will guard against ideology and isms that can undermine the national interest and envelop the national.
10. Our party will strive for development of political, economic and social affairs of the entire people.
11. Our party will participate in building a genuine Union upholding the policy without self-interest, and bias.

At present, all-out efforts are being made for national development. Helping each other, we are now in the process of uplifting our morale and keeping our environs stable to see prosperity. As such, we all should avoid violence. It is a time to overcome greed, anger and ignorance through love.

National unity should be based on same vision and practice, to ensure (1) equal vision and practice, (2) strengthening in all aspects, (3) existence of principle of the State constitution, (4) emergence of outstanding persons who can lead the nation and (5) construction of the world for human beings without grudge. Phalon-Sawaw Democratic Party has adopted the plans. They are:

1. The Kayin State Government will bring about the rights of Kayin nationals in accord with the constitution.
2. Phalon-Sawaw Democratic Party will legally serve the interest of all Kayin nationalities not only from Kayin State but also from all the regions of the nation.
3. The party will compete in the free and fair elections so as to carry out the issue of Kayin nationalities.
4. Formation of Phalon-Sawaw Democratic Party will be based on Kayin State and it will be extended on Mon State, Tanintharyi Region, Bago Region, Yangon Region and Ayeyawady Region for serving the interest of Kayin nationals.
5. The party will seek ways and means for collaboration of all Kayin nationals from Kayin State and other regions for serving their interests.
6. The party will provide assistance for the people to realize economic and social affairs of their own accord in line with the law.
7. The party will accept the policy of anti-violence without hatred and build the unity.
8. Our party has systematically adopted objectives and policies. They are:
   (a) National races affairs
   (b) Association affairs
   (c) Youth affairs
   (d) Women’s affairs
   (e) Education
   (f) Health
   (g) Intellectuals, intelligentsia and entrepreneurs affairs
   (h) Attitude for political parties.
   We all are to realize friendly living together, establishment of communication and cooperation and avoid the activities of hatred and quarrel, discrimination, harming interest and causing evil acts in the world.

Phalon-Sawaw Democratic Party pledges to take responsibility for maintaining (1) human rights, (2) anti-violence, truth and equality and (3) amicable cooperation for peace of the world with the aim of working in concert for development of the peaceful and stable world in unity, ensuring peaceful coexistence of the world applying modern technology, leading to the justice, avoiding conflicts, removing hatred, realizing equality and staying away from quarrel and misunderstanding and establishing the discipline-flourishing human society. We wish all members of the Sangha and Myanmar nationalities physical and mental well-beings.
Before the tour, Maj-Gen Aung Than Htut and the commander met with officers and other ranks and their family members at the hall of the Taunggyi Station and departmental officials at the state hall in Taunggyi. They also went to Sao San Tun Hospital and presented gifts to the patients receiving treatment at the hospital and comforted them.

Maj-Gen Aung Than Htut of Ministry of Defence inspects dredging silt and removal of floating islands at Inlay Lake with the use of heavy machinery.

Construction Minister meets Special Construction Groups (Road, Bridge, Building and Airport)

The minister, and the deputy ministers gave instructions on construction of infrastructures and urged officials to try hard for completion of projects. The attendees also took part in the discussion.

Energy Minister inspects LPG station (Ahlon) and fuel station

On arrival at No.0275 fuel station of Myanmar Petroleum Products Enterprise in Yangon, the minister inspected filling fuel and gave necessary instructions to officials.

Forestry Minister inspects plywood factory and saw mills in Bago

In the afternoon, the minister inspected No.90 saw mill (Phayalay) and No.38 saw mill (Phayalay) in Bago, No.104 saw mill in Pyu Township and No.88 saw mill in Ottwin. Respective managers reported to the minister on production of the saw mills. After that, Managing Director U Win Tun of Myanmar Timber Enterprise and assistant general manager U Min Kyi of Bago Region Domestic Trade and Saw Mill Department gave supplementary reports. After hearing the reports, the minister left necessary instructions and inspected mills.

19 dead, three missing in ferry accident in Labutta Township

A total of 79 passengers including teachers and students were on board when the motorboat en route from Saluseik Village to Michaungaing Village in the township around 7.30 am sank in Padawk Creek in the township.

Fifty-seven were rescued and two teachers, 15 students and two local people were found dead and two students and one local village went missing.

Officials concerned from Ministry of Education and Ministry of Social Welfare, Relief and Resettlement and the local authorities and members of the social organizations are on rescue and relief mission and have provided medical treatment to the victims, while making efforts to find the missing ones.

Chairman of Yangon City Development Committee Mayor U Aung Thein Lin and wife Dr Daw Khin Hsan Nwe being welcomed by Ambassador of Democratic People’s Republic of Korea to Myanmar Mr. Kim Sok Chol and wife at the reception to mark 65th Anniversary Founding Day of Workers’ Party of DPRK in Yangon on 7 October.—MNA

Minister for Forestry U Thein Aung visits Chensu Plywood Factory in Bago.

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Maj-Gen Hla Min views…

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Maj-Gen Hla Min and party met officers, Tatmadawmen and their families at the hall of Bayintaung Tatmo and gave away gifts to them. They viewed the development of Bayintaung Tatmo.

Maj-Gen Hla Min and party viewed development of Thandaunggyi and maintenance of Thandaunggyi-Toungoo Road in a motorcade and heard reports on beautifying of downtown Toungoo submitted by officials on arrival at Toungoo.

Maj-Gen Hla Min attended to the needs and inspected the progress in construction of ring road around the moat.

He also inspected construction of traffic island at the junction of Yangon-Mandalay Highway the ring road and Htilaing Road and attended to the needs.—MNA

Maj-Gen Tin Ngwe of Ministry of Defence inspects road works, sluice gate

YANGON, 7 Oct—Maj-Gen Tin Ngwe of the Ministry of Defence met officers of the local battalion at its office in Bawnetgyi village in Bago of Bago Region yesterday.

He inspected welfare and agriculture and breeding tasks and cordially greeted families of service men.

At the hall of the local battalion, he met service men and their families and presented a set of TV for the families of the battalion.

Maj-Gen Tin Ngwe looked into road works on Yangon-Mandalay Highway in Yangon North District and oversaw repairing Ngamoeik sluice gate in Sttipintuang village in Dagon Myothit (East) Township. Maj-Gen Tin Ngwe and party attended the opening of Yangon Trade Fair-2010 at Tatmadaw Convention Hall here the following day.

At the office of the local battalion in Indaing Township, he met officers and inspected welfare tasks.

After meeting with servicemen and their families, Maj-Gen Tin Ngwe presented a set of TV for the families of the local battalion. —MNA

Voting process demonstration staged in Thaton Tsp

NAY PYI TAW, 6 Oct—Member of Union Election Commission U Nyunt Tin together with Thaton District subcommission chairman, township subcommission chairman and members, viewed demonstration of voting process at Thwunna Hall in Thaton on 4 October.

The UEC member explained casting vote to responsible persons. The officer candidates and service men of units and regiments in Thaton Township, village subcommission chairman and members, and local people were also present at the demonstration.—MNA

MES to conduct talks

YANGON, 6 Oct—Organized by Myanmar Engineering Society, the talks entitled “Professional Skills for Logistics, Multimodal Transport & Shipping Business” will be held at the Seminar Room of MEC office, Hline Campus on 9 October. The talks will be lectured by Professor U Khin Maung Tin (Professor/Dean-retired/Myanmar Maritime University) and U Kyaw Myo Win (Coordinator/Lecture-School of Logistics and Supply Chain Management). Those wishing to attend the talks may contact Myanmar Engineering Society Ph-519676.—MNA

A trip to Kayah State, facilitated with road…

(from page 1)

On arrival at Htesekha Bridge, Township Engineer U Aung Koe explained, “The bridge was 228 feet long wooden bridge in the past. But now it changes into a 240 feet long RC type bridge.”

Our news crew proceeded to Htoochaung Bridge construction project in Phasaung Township which is the main transport facility in the state.

We learned that the bridge was a 258 feet long suspension bridge in the past. It is now being reconstructed as a 228 feet long RC type bridge and efforts are being made to open the bridge at the end of this financial year.

In the past, it was a long trip from Loikaw to Toungoo, passing 305 miles long Loikaw-Kalaw-Phayangahsu-Pyawbwe Road.

Thanks to hard work of the Ministry of Construction, the road from Loikaw to Toungoo will be only 131 miles long via Yado-Leiktho detour.

The growing numbers of transport facilities are coming out across the country more and more due to loving kindness of the State to national races and good-will of Public Works of the Ministry of Construction.

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Htesekha Bridge seen from the side of Hsihseng.

Pier construction of Htoochaung Bridge.
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**Information Minister inspects MRTV retransmission station in Bawditahtaung**

**Nay Pyi Taw, 7 Oct—** Minister for Information U Kyaw Hsan arrived at Myanma Radio and Television retransmission station in Bawditahtaung, Monywa in Monywa District, Sagaing Region on 5 October. There, the minister inspected the transmission of TV programmes and the parameters, FM radio broadcasting and maintenance of antennas and satellite dish. The minister discussed matters relating to extension of new TV programme, making preparations for all related works to be ready for broadcasting new programme of FM radio when the new machines arrive, preventive measures against short circuit and fire, security of the station and making cooperation with security forces.—MNA

**Yangon enjoying…**

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The Yangon City Development Committee is taking responsibility for all-round development tasks to become Yangon as the garden city.

With a view to upgrading and beautifying Yangon, the Yangon City Development Committee supervises the Engineering Department (Road and Bridge), which is one of 20 departments under YCDC, in maintenance of roads, bridges, platforms and drains and construction of new ones in townships and new towns.

Among these undertakings, the YCDC has upgraded the main roads and streets in downtown Yangon and lanes in wards to the concrete roads and streets. Moreover, some roads are being upgraded to the asphalt roads and asphalt concrete roads.

Furthermore, the YCDC is upgrading the roads in some townships of Yangon Region apart from the townships of its municipal area.

The YCDC used over 700,000 bags of cement in 2009-2010 financial year and 476,135 bags of cement from 1-4-2010 to 12-9-2010. The YCDC is using the increased volume of cement year after year in construction and maintenance of the roads for their durability in townships of its municipal area.

Yangon is being built as a commercial hub. It has characteristics of economic city with the beautifying tasks, the seaport, industrial zones, dense population, a large number of buildings and transport facilities. As such, the YCDC has calculated the increased of cement.

Therefore, a 500-ton City Cement Plant was built near Pyinyaung Village in Thazi Township, Mandalay Region and opened on 30 April 2010. Nowadays, the cement plant of YCDC is producing quality cement daily to be able to satisfy the higher demand of the nation.

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**UEC Member U Saw Ba Hlaing meets subcommissions in Kayin State**

**Nay Pyi Taw, 7 Oct—** Member of Union Election Commission U Saw Ba Hlaing meets members of election subcommissions in Kayin State at the meeting hall of Kayin State Peace and Development Council in Hpa-an on 2 October.

The UEC member explained the procedure of the commission and chairmen of subcommissions submitted reports on progress of electoral works. Secretary of Kayin State Election Subcommission U Thein Zaw submitted supplementary report.

The meeting came to an end with concluding remarks of UEC Member U Saw Ba Hlaing who also inspected the lists of eligible voters at polling booths in Hpa-an.

**One civilian losts right ankle in landmine blast**

**Nay Pyi Taw, 7 Oct—** U Aung Myo of Taungthu village in Hpa-pon Township of Kayin State lost his right ankle in a landmine blast planted by insurgents about one furlong from the village on 3 October, while leaving the village to cut bamboo.

During the period from 1 January to 4 October, death toll of landmine explosions rose to 11 — eight men and three women and totally 58 persons — 51 men and 7 women — were injured in the explosions.—MNA

Photo shows Thameinbayan Road that has been upgraded into concrete facility in Tamway Township.
Germany plays down terror threat, France issues UK alert

BERLIN, 7 Oct—Germany’s interior minister sought on Wednesday to calm public concerns amid a spate of warnings about the risk of a terrorist attack in Europe.

France became the latest country to issue a security alert, telling citizens heading to Britain to exercise caution due to a very high risk of terrorist action there that could target public transport and tourist sites.

That followed a US alert on Sunday warning American citizens to exercise caution if traveling in Europe. The same day, Britain raised the threat level to “high” from “general” for its citizens traveling to Germany and France.

Security sources say the trigger for the series of warnings was intelligence about a possible al-Qaeda-related plot to launch commando-style assaults on European cities, modeled on the 2008 Mumbai attacks by Pakistan-based militants that killed about 170 people.

German Interior Minister Thomas de Maiziere said he saw no indications of any imminent attack on Germany, even though the country remained in general a target. Talking about possible attacks played into the hands of terrorists by fueling public fears, he said.

Flash floods in eastern Indonesia kill at least 75

TELUK WONDAMA, 7 Oct—A navy warship arrived in a remote corner of eastern Indonesia carrying tents and medical supplies Wednesday after flash floods and mudslides tore through mound-tainside villages, killing at least 75 people and leaving thousands homeless.

The disaster in West Papua province—triggered by days of torrential downpours—submerged hundreds of houses in thigh-high water and destroyed roads and bridges, hampering already difficult rescue efforts.

Worst hit was the village of Wasior, where a landslide early Monday was followed 18 minutes later by a river that burst its banks, sweeping away residents in a fast-moving deluge of water, heavy logs and debris.

“Many people didn’t have time to save themselves,” stammered Ira Wanoni, adding that at least 30 homes were completely flattened.

Fireworks explode in Vietnam

HANOI, 7 Oct—A Vietnamese official says fireworks intended for Hanoi’s 1,000th birthday celebration have exploded prematurely, and state-controlled media have reported at least one death.

A local government official says the blast occurred just before noon Wednesday near My Dinh stadium, one of 29 sites in the capital where fireworks were planned for Sunday’s anniversary.

The official declined to give his name because he was not authorized to speak to the media.

Police declined to comment on the explosion, and reports by several online Vietnamese newspapers were abruptly removed after being posted.

Ohio woman pretended to be boy to date teen girl

CINCINNATI, 7 Oct—A 31-year-old woman who posed as a teenage boy, cutting her hair and using male aliases, so she could date teenage girls pleaded guilty Wednesday and was sentenced to six months in jail.

Patricia Dye, of Franklin, also was ordered her to undergo a mental health evaluation and follow any recommended treatment.

Prosecutors have said Dye tricked at least two teenage girls into dating her, although charges were filed in connection with only one, a 16-year-old. She was arrested in June after the girl ran away from home for a few days and stayed with Dye for at least part of that time, authorities said.

Dye pleaded guilty Wednesday to three misdemeanor charges: sexual imposition, attempted sexual imposition and contributing to the delinquency of a minor.

Residents gather to inspect the damage suffered by an area affected by a flash flood in West Papua Province, Indonesia, on 5 Oct, 2010.—INTERNET

Sleepy bear in tree challenges Oregon firefighters

BEND, 7 Oct—Firefighters in Bend, Ore., are trained to carry out the python with fire engineers to rescue people from burning homes, sometimes even a dog or cat.

But the 18-foot Bermese python that firefighters had to drag out of a burning home for a few days and wouldn’t go near it.

Bend fire engineer Tom Edwards tells the TV station it all went well.—INTERNET

RI firefighters save 18-foot snake in burning home

EAST GREENWICH, 7 Oct—Firefighters often have to rescue people from burning homes, sometimes even a dog or cat.

But the 18-foot Bermese python that firefighters had to drag out of a burning home for a few days and wouldn’t go near it.

It took two firefighters to carry out the python with a diameter like a “Frisbee” in the middle.

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There are no images for the described events.
Indian coconut pickers: ‘After three or four years you feel much older,’ says one Indian coconut picker. — Internet

Backyard astronomer discovers supernova

DUBLIN, 7 Oct—The signs of the major celestial event, a colossal detonation, flashed across the universe for millions of years before reaching the first person on earth to become aware of it: a man in a shed in Dublin.

The achievement of an amateur star-watcher in spotting a supernova, one of the most dramatic events of the heavens, has been hailed as “the biggest thing ever discovered in Irish astronomy”. A supernova is a cataclysmic explosion during which a star self-destructs with such force it destroys nearby suns and planets. They are spotted reasonably frequently from Earth, but this is the first ever identified from Ireland. Dave Grennan, a 39-year-old software developer who is a committed watcher of the skies, devotes many hours to astronomy.—Internet

Who wants to be a coconut millionaire?

NEW DELHI, 7 Oct—When he was a child, C Satheesh got used to his father slipping from the family home every morning at dawn to go and pick coconuts. It was tough, arduous work. With a lungi wrapped around his waist, a loop of fibre rope twisted around his ankles and a sharp knife tucked out of sight, his father would clamber high into the trees and start chopping at the coconuts. Some days he would climb 50 trees for less than 150 rupees (€2). And it was unforgiving on the body; his joints ached, his back constantly hurt. A fall could have been fatal.

So last year, when the state government of Kerala announced a special competition, Mr Satheesh, 28, a computer engineering graduate who runs his own software company, immediately took notice. The contest was to devise a machine that could ascend a coconut tree and harvest the nuts, thereby doing away with the need for human climbers.—Internet

Gunman fatally shoots French manager of foreign energy firm

SANAA, 7 Oct—A Frenchman working for an Austrian energy group OMV in Yemen was shot dead on Wednesday and a British colleague hospitalized by a soldier guarding the firm’s Sanaa compound, OMV and security officials said. “The armed guard opened fire on the director, crying Allah Akbar (God is greatest),” one of the officials said, without specifying whether the attack was motivated by personal or other reasons.

OMV confirmed that a contractor employee with French nationality who was working for the company as procurement officer “died in a hospital in Yemen today.” A British national, described as an expert who worked at the company’s branch office, was also wounded in the attack and “is now under medical treatment in a hospital in Sanaa,” it added.—Internet

Disneyland Paris cleaner dies after accident

PARIS, 7 Oct—A cleaner at Disneyland Paris has died after falling into the water while working on an attraction. Police say a preliminary investigation suggests the 53-year-old man was cleaning the ride when he fell and became trapped under a boat.

He was rescued and taken by helicopter to a hospital where he later died. The man was employed by a subcontracting firm. An inquiry into the cause of the accident is under way. Disneyland Paris in Marne-la-Vallee, east of the French capital, is one of the biggest tourist attractions in Europe.—Internet

Virus-fungus combo killing honeybees?

BALTIMORE, 7 Oct—A combination of a virus and a fungus could be responsible for colony collapse disorder, the mysterious syndrome killing US honeybees, researchers say.

The findings, published in an online journal PLoS One, are the result of a joint effort by scientists at the Army’s Edgewood Chemical Biological Center in near Baltimore and the Bee Alert team at Montana State University and the University of Montana, The New York Times reported on Wednesday.

They say the fungus-virus combination appears to be present in every killed colony, although neither agent can kill bees single-handed.

OMV confirmed that a contractor employee
‘World’s biggest book’ launched at fair

The world’s biggest book fair in Frankfurt is used to seeing big book launches, but none came larger than a six-by-nine-foot (two-by-three-metre) Atlas unveiled on Wednesday.

Yours for a cool 100,000 dollars, Australian publisher Gordon Cheers said that the last book even close in size to his 128-page volume was the Klencke Atlas, produced in 1660 as a gift for Charles II of England. “But that was about one foot smaller than this,” Cheers proudly told AFP. “This is the first time a book this size has ever been seen.” Just to turn a page takes all his strength and the book took people three hours to get into position for visitors to the Frankfurt Book Fair, which runs until Sunday.

Deer’s house romp ended by homeowner’s gunsights

A deer that crashed through a window and romped around a house in East Tennessee left a family with thousands of dollars in damages and a mess that included blood stains from the homeowner shooting the animal.

David and Cheri Ellis told the Cleveland Daily Banner that their daughters had gone upstairs to their bedroom when a six-point buck jumped through a window Wednesday night at the house they are remodeling in north Bradley County.

David Ellis said he saw the deer slide into a drum set and continue a destructive rampage that included ramming its antlers through walls and scattering furnishings. While Cheri Ellis called 911 her husband grabbed his gun and started firing. No one was hurt but deputies arrived to find the deer dying.

Taylor Swift wins case trademark case

NASHVILLE, 7 Oct—Taylor Swift has won a court fight against 16 individuals she claimed violated trademark by selling counterfeit merchandise bearing her name and picture.

Court documents said a federal judge in Nashville granted a default judgment last week permanently barring 16 individuals from making or selling Taylor Swift merchandise.

Swift claimed in the suit that her merchandise enforcement team found numerous individuals selling fake goods across the country during her 2009 tour, including T-shirts with her image on them.

A message left for Swift’s attorney on Wednesday was not immediately returned. Court records indicated that the accused individuals had no attorneys listed and they had not responded to the lawsuit.—Internet

Jenni Rivera to face trial for cash smuggling

MEXICO CITY, 7 Oct—Singer Jenni Rivera has been ordered to face trial for failing to declare thousands of dollars in cash at Mexico City’s international airport. Rivera says a judge ruled she could be free while the trial proceeds but must report to court every week. She promises, in her words, “to do that punctually.” Rivera did not say whether she would move permanently to Mexico or fly in every week from her home in Los Angeles.

Rivera was detained at the airport in May 2009 when she declared $20,000 in cash but was really carrying $52,167.—Internet

Swiss rocker killed in crash on Nevada interstate

LAS VEGAS, 7 Oct—The frontman for Swiss rock band Gotthard was killed when a tractor-trailer skidded into his parked motorcycle on a rainy Nevada highway northeast of Las Vegas, authorities in the US said Wednesday.

The frontman was 47, and a group of at least eight other motorcyclists had pulled to the side of Interstate 15 to put on rain clothing at about 5:15 pm PDT Tuesday, the Nevada Highway Patrol said. The semitrailer, driven by Edwin Zuk, 27, of Illinois, swerved and the trailer slammed into a parked Harley-Davidson motorcycle that hit Lee.

“I was just a freak accident,” Trooper Joseph Fackrell told The Associated Press.

Lee was pronounced dead at the scene, about 63 miles north of Las Vegas and 10 miles south of the Nevada-Arizona border town Mesquite, Fackrell said.—INTERNET

This undated photo provided by Sotheby’s shows a printed copy of the Emancipation Proclamation signed by Abraham Lincoln that was owned by the late Robert F. Kennedy. It will be auctioned in New York City in December and is estimated to bring up to $1.5 million.

Pa federal inmate sues over discarded sandwiches

An inmate of a federal prison in central Pennsylvania is suing, saying he was wrongly punished for “theft” when all he did was take about 30 sandwiches that a vendor threw in the garbage while restocking a dining hall machine.

Thirty-five-year-old George Crute III, is suing officials at the Federal Correctional Institution-Loretto over the 5 Feb incident. Crute says he wrongly lost his “good conduct” time that would have shortened his sentence and his job as a clerk.

Prison officials contend Crute took the sandwiches out of the machine. The Tribune-Democrat of Johnstown says a guard claims Crute ran away with a garbage bag when an officer tried to question him. Crute’s lawyer says the sandwiches were fair game after the vendor tossed them.

Kim Kardashian attends ‘The Spin Crowd’ season finale party in New York, on 6 October, 2010.—INTERNET

Steve Lee, frontman of Swiss rock band Gotthard

Steve Lee

A plane carrying more than 100 WWII veterans goes through a water cannon salute by two fire trucks at Central Wisconsin Airport in Mosinee, Wis., just before departing for Washington DC. The flight was organized by Never Forgotten Honour Flight which honors veterans from northern and central Wisconsin by flying them to Washington DC to see the monuments that honour their service.

The organization is an affiliate of the Honour Flight Network.

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I’m getting better and better, boasts Ronaldo

Real Madrid’s Portuguese forward Cristiano Ronaldo

LEIRION, 7 Oct—Real Madrid superstar Cristiano Ronaldo boasted Wednesday that he is getting better as a footballer and is ready to put his skills to help Portugal in the next two Euro 2012 qualifiers. The Portuguese striker scored a double at the weekend which helped his club to a 6-1 La Liga win over Deportivo La Coruna. “I feel better and better. I feel confident and ready to help the Seleccao,” the Portuguese captain said during a press conference at Obidos where the national side are training ahead of Friday’s clash with Denmark.

Mourinho is just what Real needed, says Zidane

MADRID, 7 Oct—Portuguese coach Jose Mourinho, who Real Madrid poached from Inter Milan at the end of last season, is just what the Spanish giants needed, the club’s former French midfielder Zinedine Zidane said in an interview published in Wednesday’s AS. “The team needed a change, of a coach with personality, a firm hand, and I think he fits that profile,” he told sports daily Marca in South Africa where he is sponsoring a youth competition.

“For me Jose Mourinho was what Real Madrid needed,” he added. “I have much trust in Mourinho, as well as in the players which we have because the majority are young and they have much quality.”

Zidane, 38, has been a special adviser to the chairman of Real, Florentino Perez, since June 2009. He retired from football after his fifth season with Real in 2006 and the World Cup that year.

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THE HAGUE, 7 Oct—Dutch coach Bert van Marwijk on Wednesday justified his decision to drop Nigel de Jong over his leg-breaking challenge on Hartem Ben Arfa by saying the defensive midfielder had overstepped the line. “Nigel really went too far,” van Marwijk told the ANP agency. “It’s a shame. There are only losers in this affair. Ben Arfa has a double fracture. Nigel has also lost out. And I can no longer call on a player who is in great form for two very important matches.”

That said, I didn’t hesitate for long before making my decision (to drop de Jong from the squad),” Van Marwijk has criticised Manchester City’s de Jong for his aggressive play on a number of occasions, notably after friendly matches this year against Japan and Paraguay. The defensive midfielder was also widely considered fortunate to have escaped punishment for a chest-high foul on Xabi Alonso during the Netherlands’ 1-0 defeat by Spain in the World Cup final in July.

Hobart to host Australia Fed Cup

SYDNEY, 7 Oct—Australia’s return to the Fed Cup’s elite world group will be held in the southern city of Hobart when the hosts take on Italy early next year, officials said Wednesday. The first-round tie, likely to feature Australia’s world No8 Samantha Stosur and French Open champion Francesca Schiavone of Italy, will be held at the Tasmanian city’s Domain Tennis Centre on 5-6 February 2011.

The recently upgraded Hobart venue has Plexicushion courts, similar to those used at the Australian Open in Melbourne. “Hobart is the perfect location for the Australian Fed Cup team to take on the Fed Cup No1 seeds, Italy, next year,” Tennis Australia’s major events manager Steve Ayles said.

Lyon president Aulas unworried by losses

LYON, 7 Oct—Lyon president Jean-Michel Aulas on Wednesday dismissed the club’s multi-million euro losses as “an accident” explained by the fall in the transfer market.

OL Group, the company that runs Lyon, on Tuesday announced net losses of 35.6 million euros in the financial period leading up to June 30, 2010, having enjoyed profits of 5.3 million euros in the previous year.

“This loss-making exercise is an accident after an extremely profitable run for six years,” said Aulas. “All clubs, even Lyon, can have unprofitable results.” Lyon’s revenue also fell by 16.6 percent to 160 million euros.

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Lyon president Aulas unworried by losses

LYON, 7 Oct—Lyon president Jean-Michel Aulas on Wednesday dismissed the club’s multi-million euro losses as “an accident” explained by the fall in the transfer market.

OL Group, the company that runs Lyon, on Tuesday announced net losses of 35.6 million euros in the financial period leading up to June 30, 2010, having enjoyed profits of 5.3 million euros in the previous year.

“This loss-making exercise is an accident after an extremely profitable run for six years,” said Aulas. “All clubs, even Lyon, can have unprofitable results.” Lyon’s revenue also fell by 16.6 percent to 160 million euros.

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THE HAGUE, 7 Oct—Dutch coach Bert van Marwijk on Wednesday justified his decision to drop Nigel de Jong over his leg-breaking challenge on Hartem Ben Arfa by saying the defensive midfielder had overstepped the line. “Nigel really went too far,” van Marwijk told the ANP agency. “It’s a shame. There are only losers in this affair. Ben Arfa has a double fracture. Nigel has also lost out. And I can no longer call on a player who is in great form for two very important matches.”

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Weather Map of Myanmar and Neighbouring Areas

WEATHER
Thursday, 7th October, 2010
Summary of observations recorded at 09:30 hr. M.S.T. During the past 24 hours, rain or thundershowers have been scattered in Kayah and Kayin States, fairly widespread in Shan and Mon States, Yangon and Taninthayi Regions and widespread in the remaining States and Regions with locally heavy falls in lower Sagaing, Mandalay, Magway and Ayeyawady Regions and isolated heavy falls in Rakhine State and upper Sagaing Region. The noteworthy amounts of rainfall recorded were Nay Pyi Taw (Tatikon) (0.90) inch, Maubin (3.63) inches, Mymmu (5.55) inches, Pyapon (4.33) inches, Manaung (3.74) inches, Kalewa (3.35) inches, Myingyan (3.31) inches, Pakokk (3.23) inches, Shwebo (2.87) inches, Maungdaw (2.76) inches, Sagaing (2.64) inches and NyaungU (2.51) inches.

Nay Pyi Taw Weather
Maximum temperature on 6-10-2010 was 92°F. Minimum temperature on 7-10-2010 was 75°F. Relative humidity at (09:30) hours MST on 7-10-2010 was (84%). Rainfall on 7-10-2010 was (0.58) inch.

Yangon (Kaba-Aye)
Maximum temperature on 6-10-2010 was 91°F. Minimum temperature on 7-10-2010 was 76°F. Relative humidity at (09:30) hours MST on 7-10-2010 was (78%). Total sunshine hours on 6-10-2010 was (5.2) hours. Rainfall on 7-10-2010 was (0.52) inch at Mingaladon, Kaba-Aye and Central Yangon. Total rainfall since 1-1-2010 was (70.87) inches at Yangon, (82.49) inches at Mingaladon, (92.76) inches and NyaungU (2.51) inches.

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State of the sea: Squalls with moderate to rough seas are likely at times off and along Myanmar Coasts. Surf wind speed in squalls may reach (35-40) mph.

Outlook for subsequent two days: Continuation of rain or thundershowers in the Upper Myanmar area.

Forecast for Nay Pyi Taw and neighbouring area for 8-10-2010: Isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (80%).

Forecast for Yangon and neighbouring area for 8-10-2010: One or two rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (80%).

Forecast for Mandalay and neighbouring area for 8-10-2010: One or two rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (80%).

Woman to serve a day’s jail for slashing husband
SINGAPORE, 7 Oct—A pregnant 28-year-old part-time yoga instructor was jailed a day and fined $5,000 for slashing her husband with a kitchen knife.

Alexandra Chan, who is about six months pregnant, attacked 39-year-old car trader, Tang Siu Tong, in their apartment at Upper Bukit Timah Road on 22 November last year.

Mr Tong suffered cuts on his right hand and knee. The dispute broke out after Chan refused to go on a holiday cruise with her spouse.

Lawyer, Sunil Sudheesan, who represented the blonde Caucasian woman told the court today that she had committed the offence impulsively.

He also said that Chan, who is suffering from major depressive disorder, has promised to continue with her treatment to address her condition.—Internet

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Puppy love: A woman and her dog march during the celebrations for the World Animal Day in Medellin, Antioquia department, Colombia.

INTERNET

Weather Report

6:20 pm
12. Internet Garden
7:00 pm
13. TV Drama Series
8:00 pm
14. News
15. Talk of the Political Parties
16. International News
17. Weather Report
18. Just For Laughs (Gags Asia)
19. TV Drama Series
20. Song Lover
21. Myitta Pawana
2. Musical Programme
3. Dance Of National Races
4. Second Prize Winner of The Recitation of (Dhammaaeika Patuttana Sutta) (BEHS 2, Sanchung)
4:55 pm
5. University Of

Distance Education (TV Lectures)
-First Year (Economics Activities)
5:10 pm
6. Songs For Upholding National Spirit
5:15 pm
7. Myanmar Language
5:25 pm
8. Songs Of Yetters Years
5:35 pm
9. Yoetha Phyu Sin Kaladoeathwin
6:00 pm
10. Evening News
6:15 pm
11. Weather Report

Pagodas
8:10 am
6. Nice & Sweet Song
8:30 am
7. International News
8:35 am
8. Islands Of Dhamma
8:45 am
9. The Nine Precepts
4:00 pm
1. Martial Song
4:10 pm
2. Musical Programme
4:25 pm
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5. University Of

MYANMAR INTERNATIONAL Programme Schedule (8-10-2010)(Friday)

Transmissions

Local
- (09:00am-11:00am) MST
Oversea Transmission - (8-10-10 09:30 am - 9-10-10 09:30 am) MST

Local Transmission
- Opening
* News
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* The World’s Largest Book
* News
* Festivals & Car Expo
* News
* Myanmar Fashion Show of Successive Eras
* Music Gallery
* News
* Ba Yint Naung Brokers’ Sales Centre
* News
* Orchids Research from Mount Popa
* Myanmar Movie “Loud Speaker”
Only with stability and peace will the nation develop
Only with stability and peace will democratization process be successful

Anarchy begets anarchy, not democracy
Riots beget riots, not democracy
Democracy can be introduced only through constitution

People’s Desire
- We favour peace and stability
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- We oppose unrest and violence
- Wipe out those inciting unrest and violence

VOA, BBC—sowing hatred among the people
RFA, DVB—generating public outrage
Do not allow ourselves to be swayed by killer broadcasts designed to cause troubles

Maj-Gen Hla Min views development of Thandaunggyi, Toungoo

NAY PYI TAW, 7 Oct — Maj-Gen Hla Min of the Ministry of Defence accompanied by Chairman of Bago Region Peace and Development Council Commander of Southern Command Brig-Gen Soe Htut and officials, met with officers at local battalion in Thandaunggyi in Kayin State yesterday. He inspected farm of the battalion and left necessary instructions. (See page 9)

Yangon enjoying improved facilities

In practising the market-oriented economic system in the nation, most of the commodities of the countries sharing border with Myanmar are flowing into states and regions of Myanmar through the land routes. Likewise, the commodities of Myanmar are being exported to neighbouring countries through the land routes.

Electoral process courses opened in Gangaw Tsp
NAY PYI TAW, 7 Oct — Electoral process courses for chairmen of wards and village-tract subcommissions in Gangaw Township, secretaries, members, polling station officers, deputy polling station officers and its members were opened at BEMS in Taungkhinyan village on 11 September, BEMS in Myaukkhinyan village on 12 September and BEMS (branch) in Thanlawady village on 14 September. Officials briefed on duties of wards and village-tract subcommission, polling station officers, deputy polling station officers and members, casting the vote and construction of polling stations and filling in the forms and casting the vote.—MNA

Storm News
NAY PYI TAW, 7 Oct — According to the observations at (20:30) hrs MST today, the depression over West Central Bay is moving North-Northeast direction and located (400) miles Southwest of Kalkata (India). It is forecast to move Northeast direction. The present stage of the Depression is coded yellow stage and it is not moving towards Myanmar Coasts. Under the influence of the Depression, occasional squalls with moderate to rough seas are likely in Deltaic and off and along Rakhine Coasts. Surface wind speed in squalls may reach (40) mph, the Meteorology and Hydrology Department announced.—MNA

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