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Four political objectives

- Stability of the State, community peace and tranquillity, prevalence of law and order
- National reconciliation
- Emergence of a new enduring State Constitution
- Building of a new modern developed nation in accord with the new State Constitution

Four economic objectives

- Development of agriculture as the base and all-round development of other sectors of the economy as well
- Proper evolution of the market-oriented economic system
- Development of the economy inviting participation in terms of technical know-how and investments from sources inside the country and abroad
- The initiative to shape the national economy must be kept in the hands of the State and the national peoples

Four social objectives

- Uplift of the morale and morality of the entire nation
- Uplift of national prestige and integrity and preservation and safeguarding of cultural heritage and national character
- Uplift of the dynamism of patriotic spirit
- Uplift of health, fitness and education standards of the entire nation

Senior General Than Shwe observes preliminary display of 2010 Mid-year Myanma Gems Emporium

NAY PYI TAW, 16 NOV — Chairman of the State Peace and Development Council Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services Senior General Than Shwe this evening observed the preliminary display of 2010 Mid-year Myanma Gems Emporium.

On his arrival at Mani Yadana Jade Hall near Myanma Gems Museum in Zabuthiri Township of Nay Pyi Taw District where 2010 Mid-year Myanma Gems Emporium will take place, at 4.30 pm, Senior General Than Shwe was welcomed by Vice-Chairman of the State Peace and Development Council Deputy Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services Commander-in-Chief (Army) Vice-Senior General Maung Aye, Member of the SPDC Thura U Shwe Mann, Secretary-1 of the SPDC Thura U Tin Aung Myint Oo, Member of the SPDC U Tin Aye, Lt-Gen Min Aung Hlaing of the Ministry of Defence, members of the panel of the patrons of central committee for organizing 2010 Mid-year Myanma Gems Emporium Commander of Nay Pyi Taw Command Brig-Gen Maung Maung Aye, Minister for Mines U Ohn Myint, ministers, the Chief Justice, the Attorney-General, the Auditor-General, deputy ministers, vice-chairmen of the central committee, secretaries and central committee members, officials of subcommittees, chairmen and executives of Myanma Gems Entrepreneurs Association.

Next, the Senior General observed uncut jade decorated with flowery plants at Jade Garden near the Mani Yadana Jade Hall and heard reports on progress of construction of Jade Garden presented by Patron of the Central Committee Minister U Ohn Myint.

The Senior General viewed the display of lots of jade near (See page 8)
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Play a part in traffic safety measures

With networks of roads built across the country for better transport fundamental to national development, people have enjoyed easy access to every region.

As the road transport sector is improving, the people have used more and more cars. So, motor roads are being upgraded from earth ones to gravel ones, tarred ones and concrete ones.

At such a time, road users on their part are to strictly follow the traffic rules so that they can use the roads in the long run and avoid traffic accidents.

Since the motorists and pedestrians donot follow the traffic rules, traffic accidents happen causing deaths. According to study, road accidents mostly happen due to reckless driving, driving at breakneck speed, drunken driving, crossing the road carelessly and mechanical failure.

All motorists must avoid driving competitively, driving in the wrong traffic route and blocking the traffic route. Now, traffic violations are being checked and exposed with the use of sophisticated devices.

Educative talks, shows and contests on traffic dangers and traffic rules are being held. Therefore, motorists and pedestrians will see significant reduction in accidents by strictly following the traffic rules and regulations.

Ocean Gate to open GIS technology courses

Ocean Gate Training Centre

YANGON, 16 Nov—Ocean Gate Training Centre will soon open GIS basic and intermediate level courses. Basic level covers Google Earth and Geospatial Technology that is foundation for civil and mining engineering, geologist, geographers and biologists and that can be effectively applied in marketing, distribution and transportation.

Intermediate level course is intended for those wishing to use GIS technologies in all subjects. The six-week course will start on 22 November.

The training centre has arranged to open remote sensing course, project oriented geospatial technology course and Geospatial Technology Advanced course. For more information, contact Ocean Gate Training Centre No.355, Room (206), Thetmyedu road, Mingala Taungnyunt Township, Yangon, and dial ph-380130 and 099061325.

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Hydropower projects inspected

EP-1 Minister U Zaw Min inspects upper Paunglaung Hydropower Project.— MNA

NAV Pyi TAW, 16 Nov.— Minister for Electric Power No.1 U Zaw Min visited the upper Paunglaung Hydropower Project site, about 26 miles from Pyinmana in Nay Pyi Taw District yesterday morning. At the briefing hall, construction director U Thaung Han reported on progress in construction work. The minister gave an instruction on stocking up and systematic using of all necessary construction materials.

The minister next inspected the construction work. Upon completion, the project will be able to generate 454 million kilowatt hours of electricity per year.

The minister also visited Namcho Hydropower Project site, 16 miles from Namcho Creek to the southeast of Pyinmana and looked into construction work. About 58.11 percent has been completed and upon completion, the project will generate 152 million kilowatt hours of electricity per year.

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MWJA to hold respect-paying ceremony to mark Sasodaw Day

YANGON, 16 Nov.— Myanmar Writers and Journalists Association held a meeting to hold a respect-paying ceremony to mark the Sasodaw Day 1372 ME at the meeting hall of Sarpay Beikman (2nd floor) here this morning. Chairman of Organizing Committee for holding respect paying ceremony U Tin Hlaing (Letwintha Saw Chit) extended greetings.

Secretary of the committee U Ko Ko (Ko Ko-Sethmu Tektatho) presented progress of ongoing tasks, leaders of the respective committees conditions of tasks carried out respectively. The chairman concluded the meeting with remarks.

U Maung Myo donated K 200,000, U Tin Hlaing, U Ko Ko, U Myat Khine, U Chit Naing, U Kyaw Win and U Maung Maung Myint Aye and wife Dr Saw Yu Nwe K 100,000 each, U Ko Ko Hlaing, U Nyunt Tin, Dr Tin Maung Htwe, U Khin Swe and wife Daw Nu Yin and Kyimyindine and Kayan Township Writers and Journalists Associations K 50,000 each, U Thein Zaw, Naing Myo Thitsar K 30,000 each and Kyaw Myo Nwe K 20,000 and Wah Wah Htun Lin K 10,000.

Any wellwisher may contact No 529/ 531, Sarpaybeikman (2nd floor) at the corner of Merchant Road and 37th Street, Ph: 385273 or 252417.

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KMD’s Special Sales Road Show on 21 Nov

YANGON, 16 Nov— KMD Sales Centre (Mynigon Branch) holds Special Sales Road Show of KMD sales and services on 21 November. A variety of Lenovo, Acer, HP, Dell and Prolinks branded notebooks, desktop computers, printer, scanner, UPS and computer accessories will be sold out with 70 per cent discount. KMD Education Centre will also accept the enrollment of students for International Diploma in Computer Science at reduced fee.

For more details, one may contact KMD Sales & Service Centre (Ph: 503522, 385177, 502244 and 245180).

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How to live 365 days a year

YANGON, 16 Nov—Health education book “How to live 365 days a year” translated by Thatepan Soe Hla hit the bookstands. The book shows the ways for passing the whole life in physical and mental well-being way. The original book was one of the best sellers of The New York Times. The book is available at Wisdom House at No. 101, building No. 1191-1192, on Latwe Mindin Street in Mitta Nyan Ward of Tamway Township, Yangon (Ph: 09-5058533, 01-545036 and 0949-288-948) with the price of K 2000.

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Singapore jails UK author for six weeks for contempt

SINGAPORE, 16 Nov—Singapore’s High Court sentenced 76-year-old British writer Alan Shadrake to six weeks in jail on Tuesday after finding him guilty of contempt of court for criticizing the city-state’s judiciary.

High Court Judge Quentin Loh, who had ruled that Shadrake’s book on the country’s use of the death penalty had scandalized the court, also fined the author 20,000 Singapore dollars (15,370 US dollars).

Shadrake will be jailed for an additional two weeks if he cannot pay the fine. He also has to pay costs of 55,000 Singapore dollars. Shadrake’s lawyers had asked the court for a lenient sentence of censure, while prosecutors had demanded a 12-week jail term.

In a written judgment two weeks ago, Loh said Shadrake had used a “selective background of truths and half-truths, and sometimes outright falsehoods” in his book, which he said accused Singapore judges of being influenced by executive and diplomatic pressures.

New York-based Human Rights Watch and other groups had urged Singapore to exonerate Shadrake.

Singapore, a small island-state of 5 million people, imposes the death penalty for crimes such as murder and a mandatory death sentence for drug trafficking. It boasts of one of the lowest crime rates in the world.

MNA/Reuters

Building collapse kills at least 60 in Indian Capital

NEW DELHI, 16 Nov—Rescuers using shovels, digging machines and their bare hands searched for survivors on Tuesday after a five-storey residential building collapsed in India’s Capital, crushing at least 60 people to death.

Another 78 people were injured and at least 30 more were believed trapped in the rubble after the collapse on Monday night, police and rescuers said.

“The lanes are very narrow. It is not easy for the (rescue)team to get there,” said Sheila Dikshit, Delhi’s Chief Minister. She blamed the building’s faulty construction for the collapse and said her government would order a probe into it.

Local authorities said the building collapsed as its basement was waterlogged for days after heavy monsoon rains. Many Indian buildings do not conform to safety or zoning regulations, with owners building additional floors or structures without approval. One local resident said he was still looking for his missing son.

MNA/Reuters

Five NATO troops killed as violence soars

KABUL, 16 Nov—Five troops serving with the NATO-led force in Afghanistan were killed on Sunday, including three in a clash with insurgents in the east, the coalition said, one of the worst daily tolls in a month.

The NATO-led International Security Assistance Force (ISAF) gave no other details about the clash in the east, including the nationalities of those killed. The majority of troops serving in the volatile east are American.

Earlier on Sunday, ISAF said two of its soldiers had been killed in separate explosions in the south.

The deaths send a sobering message to NATO leaders holding a summit later this week in Lisbon with Afghanistan top of the agenda. Many European NATO leaders are under increasing pressure to justify their continued support for the drawn-out war. US President Barack Obama is set to review his Afghanistan war strategy in December amid sagging public support, after his Democratic party suffered a crushing midterm election.

Violence across Afghanistan is at its worst since US-backed Afghan forces overthrew the Taliban nine years ago, with civilian and military casualties at record levels despite the presence of about 150,000 foreign troops.

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Local residents look to burning oil tankers after a militant attack in Mithri, about 200 kilometers (120 miles) east of Quetta, Pakistan recently.

BUILDING COLLAPSE KILLS AT LEAST 60 IN INDIAN CAPITAL

Shanghai apartment blaze death toll climbs to 53

SHANGHAI, 16 Nov—At least 53 people have been confirmed killed in a fire that gutted a high-rise apartment in China’s commercial hub Shanghai, and the Minister of Police warned on Tuesday of that such accidents may happen more often.

The Minister Meng Jianzhu made the warning after inspecting the 25-storey apartment building where the fire broke out on Monday afternoon while in the middle of renovations.

More than 70 people were hospitalised after the blaze, Xinhua news agency reported earlier. The Shanghai Government information office later said the death toll had risen to 53. Residents and relatives searched hospitals for people who lived in the apartment in Jing’an District, many of them teachers and pensioners.

MNA/Reuters

Iraqi security forces inspect a damaged car at a bombing site in Baghdad, Iraq recently. Police officials say a roadside bombing has targeted the convoy of a deputy minister in Iraq’s government, killing and injuring several people.

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New Saudi train ready to shuttle hajj pilgrims

ARAFAT, 16 Nov—The Mashair Railway, also known as Mecca Metro, rolls out on Sunday to serve pilgrims beginning the annual hajj rituals near the Muslim holy city, bringing a new solution to crowding.

The dual-track light railway, with its initial number of nine stations, connects the three holy sites of Mina, Muzdalifah and Mount Arafat — areas that see massive congestion during the five-day pilgrimage.

It will replace 4,000 buses previously used.

The first official trip will set off from Mina at 8:00 pm (1700 GMT), as pilgrims gather there, outside Mecca on the Tarwiyah Day to prepare for the peak day of Arafat, when some 2.5 million are expected to gather on Mount Arafat and its surrounding plain.

The Chinese-built railway, only to be used for five days a year now, will only operate at 35 percent of its full final capacity in the first phase.

It will be open only to Saudi and Gulf pilgrims, forecast at some 130,000 Saudis, 10,000 Kuwaitis and 10,000 Bahrainis, said Saeed al-Qurashi, head of the Hajj and Umra Committee at the Mecca Chamber of Commerce.

Australia hits back at OECD over broadband network

CANBERRA, 16 Nov—Australia Monday defended plans for a national broadband network after the OECD raised questions over its cost-effectiveness and said it might stifle innovation.

The National Broadband Network (NBN), which will be rolled out by a government corporation and will connect 93 percent of the country’s population, has been described as Australia’s biggest ever infrastructure project.

“While establishing a monopoly in this way would protect the viability of the government’s investment project, it may not be optimal for cost efficiency and innovation,” The Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) warned in a report, which groups the world’s top economies.

Communications Minister Stephen Conroy said the government had spent 25 million dollars (24.7 million US) on an implementation study that showed the scheme was financially viable and could deliver fast, affordable Internet, boosting the economy.

“If you read the entire OECD report it clearly shows that there are significant productivity gains to be made from going ahead with the National Broadband Network,” Conroy told reporters.

Conroy said it had always been the government’s objective to establish a “wholesale-only, open-access monopoly” because infrastructure competition in the telecoms sector had historically “failed to deliver”. He added that the government planned eventually to sell shares in NBN.

Australia’s Gillard faces test over bank, telco laws

CANBERRA, 16 Nov—Australia’s minority Labour government will face its biggest test since winning power when Parliament’s final session of the year opens on Monday and tests its muscle with planned new laws on banks and telecommunications companies.

Prime Minister Julia Gillard holds a razor-thin majority and needs support of three independents and a Green lawmaker in what will be a test of the government’s ability to control Parliament in the final two-week sittings ahead of a long summer break.

Minority Greens lawmakers will test the government’s control by pushing controversial laws to prevent banks from lifting mortgage interest rates by more than central bank rate adjustments. “The banks need some hauling in,” Greens leader Bob Brown told reporters, pointing to mounting anger after the country’s big four banks raised home loan rates above a 0.25 percentage point central bank rise to 4.75 percent earlier this month.

“It will give some reassurance to borrowers that they are not going to be gouged further like they have been,” Brown said. Interest rates are a major political faultline in Australia, where about two-thirds of voters own their homes, and commercial cash rates can swing the outcome of elections.

Opposition Conservatives are unlikely to support the Greens laws. But mounting political fury has made banking stocks more volatile. Gillard’s Labour is under intense pressure to rein in bank profits and fees after the four main lenders, National Australia Bank, ANZ, Commonwealth Bank of Australia Ltd and Westpac, booked record earnings and lifted rates well above the move by the independent central bank.

Chinese supercomputer named world’s fastest

BEIJING, 16 Nov—China overtook the United States at the head of the world of supercomputing on Sunday when a survey ranked one of its machines the fastest on the planet. Tianhe-1, meaning Milky Way, achieved a computing speed of 2,570 trillion calculations per second, earning it the number one spot in the Top 500 (www.top500.org) survey of supercomputers. The Jaguar computer at a US government facility in Tennessee, which had held the top spot, was ranked second with a speed of 1,750 trillion calculations per second.

Tianhe-1 does its warp-speed “thinking” at the National Centre for Supercomputing in the northern port city of Tianjin — using mostly chips designed by US companies. Another Chinese system, the Nebulae machine at the National Supercomputing Centre in the southern city of Shenzhen, came in third. The United States still dominates, with more than half of the entries in the Top 500 list, but China now boasts 42 systems in the rankings, putting it ahead of Japan, France, Germany and Britain.

India telecoms minister quits over licence row

NEW DELHI, 16 Nov—Indian telecoms Minister Andimuthu Raja resigned from his post on Sunday, local media reported, after allegations that the government had given out lucrative telecoms licences at low prices.

Raja’s political party DMK is one of the largest partners in the ruling Congress-led coalition government and its support is crucial for the government’s majority.

“In order to avoid embarrassment to the government and maintain peace and harmony in Parliament, my leader (DMK chief M Karunanidhi) has advised me to resign,” Raja was quoted as saying by the Press Trust of India news agency.

Raja could not be reached for comment. Janardan Dwivedi, a spokesman for Congress Party, declined to comment.

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A man watching the Mecca Metro pass through the western Saudi City of Mecca.—INTERNET

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MNA/Reuters
Binladin group wins $7.2 bln Jeddah contract

RIYADH, 16 Nov—The Saudi Binladin Group has won a 27.1-billion-riyal (7.2-billion-dollar) deal to build a new terminal and infrastructure at Jeddah international airport, the Saudi airports authority announced on Sunday.

The project, to be completed over 36 months, will expand the capacity of the King Abdul Aziz International Airport to 30 million passengers per year from the current traffic of 17 million passengers, the General Authority on Civil Aviation said in a statement.

The contract for the deal was signed on Saturday by Crown Prince Sultan bin Abdul Aziz, the country’s defence and aviation minister, in Agadir, Morocco, the statement said.

In the three-year project Binladin, the country’s largest builder, will construct a single 670,000-square-metre (more than seven million square feet) terminal with 94 aircraft bays to replace the two ageing facilities currently handling airport traffic.

It will also build what the statement called the world’s tallest airport control tower at 133 metres (436 feet), and infrastructure linking the terminal with roads and the planned high-speed railway that will join Jeddah with Mecca and Medina.

Jeddah is the main hub for millions of Muslim pilgrims who visit the two holy cities every year.

Japan’s economy expands in Q3, but risks remain

YOKOHAMA, 16 Nov—The United States and eight other Pacific Rim nations aim to forge a free-trade pact before President Barack Obama hosts an APEC summit in Hawaii in a year, Chile’s president said Sunday.

Leaders of the nine nations met for the first time Sunday at a summit in Japan to discuss the so-called Trans-Pacific Partnership (TPP) pact which would oblige members to scrap tariffs and other trade barriers.

The group did not include China — the world’s number-two economy and biggest exporter — which favours negotiating trade reforms in alternative forums that include only Asian economies and not the United States.

“The goal we set out today in a meeting with President Obama is that before the next APEC meeting in November in Honolulu we will have the TPP in force, and that is a very demanding task,” said Chile’s President Sebastian Pinera. “So we’ll have rounds of negotiations, the first in New Zealand, and the second in Chile,” he said, speaking on the sidelines of a wider summit of the 21-member Asia Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) forum. He said that the nine countries “will hopefully be ready before we celebrate the upcoming APEC summit in Honolulu”.

Internet

Bangladesh, Turkey target $3b in trade by 2015

DHAKA, 16 Nov—Bangladesh and Turkey agreed on Sunday to boost bilateral trade to 3 billion US dollars a year by 2015, from 600 million US dollars at present, a Bangladesh official said.

Bangladesh Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina and her Turkish counterpart Tayyip Erdogan, who is on a two-day visit, also agreed to launch direct air links late next month.

“Turkish Prime Minister Tayyip Erdogan and his Bangladesh counterpart Sheikh Hasina agreed that the mutual trade could be boosted to 3 billion US dollars a year within the next five years,” Hasina’s Press secretary, Abul Kalam Azad, told Reuters.

Turkey, frustrated by the slow progress of its bid to join the European Union, has been increasing trade ties for its expanding economy, which it forecasts will grow 6.8 percent this year. Bilateral trade now stands at around 600 million US dollars a year, Bangladesh commerce ministry officials said.—MNA/Reuters

Asia stocks mostly down, Japan gains on GDP report

BANGKOK, 16 Nov—Asian stock markets were mostly lower Monday, shrugging off stronger-than-expected growth in Japan amid fears China will take new steps to cool its economy.

The Nikkei 225 stock average rose 82.68 points, or 0.9 percent, to 9,807.86 as the yen weakened and after the government said the economy expanded an annualized 3.9 percent in the July-September quarter.

Stronger spending by consumers and businesses fueled the better-than-expected result but the improvement is expected to be fleeting with some analysts forecasting a contraction in the last quarter of the year as exports slow. China’s Shanghai Composite Index was down 0.7 percent to 2,964.15 after tumbling more than 5 percent Friday on expectations Beijing will raise interest rates again after inflation reached a 25-month high. The feared interest rate hike didn’t happen over the weekend but investors remained on edge.—INTERNET

In this 11 Nov, 2010 photo, specialist Glenn Careell, right, works at his post on the floor of the New York Stock Exchange.—INTERNET
Ireland does not rule out rescue

DUBLIN, 16 Nov—Ireland did not rule out the possibility that it may have to turn to Europe for help in dealing with its debt crisis on Sunday but said that no application had been made for assistance yet.

“Things are happening day by day,” Justice Minister Dermot Ahern told national broadcaster RTE’s “The Week in Politics” when asked if he would put his reputation on the line and say that Dublin would not apply for aid.

In an emailed statement, a spokesman for the Department of Finance said there were ongoing contacts with international colleagues to the 2010 closing high hit on 5 November.

But the index has been unable to move above 1,228, a key resistance level, and its chart is brewing a double-top formation, a very bearish signal.

“We’re susceptible to a pullback if we don’t get any clarity on fiscal policy and if any of this economic data disappoints next week,” said John Lynch, chief equity strategist at Wells Fargo Funds Management in Charlotte, North Carolina.

“I would think you’re going to see some, not all, smart money pull their investment (out of stocks) the closer we get to 1,228. These guys recognize we still have above 9 percent unemployment, sovereign credit risks, a continued deleveraging and no clarity as to what businesses should do with their cash.”

Last week, the Dow Jones industrial average (.DJI) and the Standard & Poor’s 500 index (.SPX) each fell 2.2 percent. The Nasdaq Composite index (.IXIC) lost 2.4 percent.

BHP kills Potash Corp bid, revives $4.2 billion buyback

Shareholders will be eager to hear what further growth prospects the company will chase with its cash pile when BHP Chief Executive Marius Kloppers fronts the group’s annual meeting in Australia on Tuesday.

“Certainly the best investment is probably in themselves at the moment,” said Brendan James, a partner at BHP shareholder Perennial Growth, referring to the prospect of a bigger buyback.

Canada blocked BHP’s bid for the world’s largest fertilizer maker on 3 November and gave BHP a month to prove the takeover would benefit Canada.

“Unfortunately, despite having received all required anti-trust clearances for the offer, we have not been able to obtain clearance under the Investment Canada Act and have accordingly decided to withdraw the offer,” BHP Chief Executive Marius Kloppers said in a statement.

Canada to unveil investment guidelines post-Potash

YOKOHAMA, 16 Nov—Canada, which stunned markets by blocking a bid from Anglo-Australian firm BHP Billiton for Potash Corp (POT.N), the world’s biggest deal this year, and bowed to calls from investors to return cash with a $4.2 billion share buyback.

BHP (BLT.L), conceding defeat for the third straight time on a major proposed acquisition, signaled with its revived share buyback that it had limited opportunities for other big buys.

Climate science “under-reported” at 2009 UN summit

OSLO, 16 Nov—Less than 10 percent of the articles written about last year’s Copenhagen climate summit dealt primarily with the science of climate change, a study showed on Monday.

Based on analysis of 400 articles written about the December 2009 summit, the authors of the report for Oxford University’s Reuters Institute for the Study of Journalism (RISJ) called for a re-think of reporting on future such conferences.

Author James Painter concluded that “science was under-reported” as the essential backdrop to the drama when about 120 world leaders met in Copenhagen but failed to agree a binding treaty to slow climate change.

Much coverage from Copenhagen instead focused on hacked e-mails from a British university that some sceptics took as evidence of efforts by scientists to ignore dissenting views. The scientists involved have since been cleared of wrongdoing.

SAP expects its co-CEO to testify in Oracle case

SAN FRANCISCO,16 Nov—SAP co-Chief Executive Officer Bill McDermott is expected to testify on Monday as SAP kicks off its defence in a high stakes copyright infringement case brought by Oracle Corp, according to an SAP representative.

Last week, attorneys for Oracle indicated they would conclude their case on Monday, meaning McDermott would be one of SAP’s first defence witnesses.

SAP and Oracle, which dominate the global market for software that helps businesses run more efficiently, are battling in court to determine the amount of damages for software theft by SAP.

SAP has accepted liability for its Tomor-rowNow subsidiary having wrongfully downloaded thousands of Oracle files, but argues it owes tens of millions — not billions — of dollars in com-pensation.

McDermott was appointed SAP’s co-CEO earlier this year and was first named to the company’s executive board in 2008, according to SAP’s website.

Author: Naoko Yamada

MNA/Reuters
Today is the Knowledge Age. So, the development of science and technology contributes a great deal to wealth of the nations.

The Government has been founding universities and colleges across the nation, with a view to constant emergence of human resources.

Recently, we, Myanma Alin news crew, visited Mon State so as to present our readers progress of it. During our stay in Mon State, we visited local universities and colleges to find out progress of its education sector.

The first place we visited was Mawlamyine University. Professor-in-charge Dr Htay Aung said that the university was first established as Mawlamyine Inter-College in 1953. It was then upgraded to Mawlamyine College in 1963, Mawlamyine Degree College in 1981 and finally to Mawlamyine University in 1986. The university is conducting 19 undergraduate courses, 19 postgraduate courses, 15 postgraduate (Research) courses, and PhD course in marine science. Students are encourage to issue research journals, to hold literary discussion, and to participate in paper reading session, and shows and competitions at university level, national level as well as international level.

The university produced 3326 graduates and 39 master degree holders before 1988 and has so far produced 29892 graduates, 799 MA holders, 104 M. Research holders, and four PhD holders, and five post-graduate diploma holders totalling 30804 in the time of Tatmadaw Government.

We then visited Technological University (Mawlamyine). The university commissioned in January, 2007 is conducting Civil Engineering course, Electronic Engineering course, Electrical Engineering course, CNC Engineering course, Plastic and Rubber Engineering course, and Food and Chemistry Engineering course. Currently, 2,625 students are studying there.

The third place we visited as University of Computer studies (Mawlamyine). The university came into existence as a Government Computer College in the compound of University of Technology (Mawlamyine). It was moved to near Mawlamyine Industrial Zone, Nyuangpinseik Village tract, Kyaikmayaw Township in 2001 and upgraded to a university level in January 2007. Associate Professor Dr Khin Sandar told us that 339 students are studying in different academic years at the university. Moreover, the university opens Software Development course, Net Development course, and Spoken English course on holidays to provide students further practical and theoretical knowledge. It also organizes sports events, essay contests, English Language Proficiency programmes for mental and physical development of students.

University of Computer Studies (Thaton) was found to be in the course of construction at the foot of Mt. Wunnami in Gaw Village, Thaton Township. The three-storey is scheduled to be opened soon.

In consequence of the emergence of universities and colleges in Mon State, students now can pursue higher education in their own region. So, it is the duty of students to make good use of this opportunity.

The State is in need of a substantial number of intellectuals and intelligentsia. Therefore, students are to try hard to become efficient and capable citizens if they really love their country, if they want their country to catch up with other countries.

Translation: TKK

Myanma Alin: 23-10-2010
Mani Yadana Jade Hall in a motorcade. Afterwards, the Senior General viewed opening of gems shops at the Myanmar Gems Museum.

Minister U Ohn Myint reported to the Senior General on Myanmar Gems Museum, display of gems in the hall of the museum, construction of Mani Yadana Jade Hall where 2010 Mid-year Myanmar Gems Emporium will be held and Jade Garden and arrangements being made for successful holding of 2010 Mid-year Myanmar Gems Emporium.

Next, the Senior General gave guidance on accommodation and transportation for the fully convenience of gems merchants at home and abroad.

Accompanied by Minister U Ohn Myint, the Senior General viewed the display of lots of jade from the third floor of the museum and Myanmar gems and jewellery displayed in the museum. Senior General Than Shwe left the museum later in the evening.

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Photo shows display of lots of jade.

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Senior General Than Shwe views Myanma gems and jewellery on display at Myanma Gems Museum.—MNA

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Gems and jewellery displayed at Myanma Gems Museum.

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Courses of H & T Ministry conclude

YANGON, 15 Nov—The closing ceremony of Basic Computer Course No. 3/2010 and Refresher Course for Office Works No. 4/2010 was held at the ministry here on 12 November, attended by Minister for Hotels and Tourism U Soe Naing. The minister then awarded the outstanding trainees. The deputy minister and officials also presented completion certificates to the trainees.

Work Proficiency Course for MADB staff

YANGON, 16 Nov—Organized by Myanmar Agricultural Development Bank (Head Office) of the Ministry of Agriculture and Irrigation, Work Proficiency Course No. (1/2010) for supervisory staff was opened at the training room of MADB (Head Office) this morning with an opening address by Acting Managing Director U Win Han of MADB. Altogether 40 trainee from head office and branch of MADB are attending the four-week course.

Myanmar wins one more silver in Asian Games

YANGON, 16 Nov—Selected Myanmar World Athlete Sandi Oo scored silver medal in Women’s Changquan Event of 16th Asian Games being held in People’s Republic of China.

In the event, Hong Kong stood first and Japan and Indonesia shared third place.

Sandi Oo, silver medallist in Women’s Changquan Event of 16th Asian Games.—SPED

Commander assists in Sittoung Bridge (Natthankwin) construction

NAY PYI TAW, 16 Nov—Chairman of Bago Region Peace and Development Council Commander Brig-Gen Soe Htut went to the construction site of Sittoung Bridge (Natthankwin) on 11 November and assisted in construction of the bridge. Afterwards, the commander met with officers, other ranks and their families and presented cash assistance and gifts to them. During his tour, the commander also inspected construction of housing project for war veterans in Kyaukkyi Township.

On 13 November, Commander Brig-Gen Soe Htut inspected battalions in Pyinpongyi and fulfilled the requirements of the battalions.

Health Minister meets UNICEF Deputy Resident Representative

NAY PYI TAW, 15 Nov—Minister for Health Dr Kyaw Myint received Deputy Resident Representative of UNICEF Ms Juanita Vasquez and dean of Health and Nutrition Section Dr Marinus Gotink at the minister’s office here this morning. At the call, they discussed future tasks for health and nutrition development of maternal and child in cooperation with Ministry of Health and UNICEF. Also present at the call were Deputy Ministers Dr Mya Oo and Dr Paing Soe, departmental heads and officials.

Construction Minister attends opening of refresher courses

YANGON, 16 Nov—Minister for Construction U Khin Maung Myint attended the opening of Refresher Courses for accountant-1 and junior engineer-3 (civil) held at Central Training School (Thuwanna) of the ministry here on 15 November. The minister made an opening speech and cordially greeted the trainees. The course takes six weeks.

2nd Japan Cup Karatedo Championship 2010 on 14 Dec

YANGON, 16 Nov—The 2nd Japan Cup Karatedo Championship 2010 will be held at Aung San Stadium on 14 and 15 December.

The championship is jointly sponsored by the Ministry of Sports and Japanese Embassy in Myanmar and organized by Myanmar Karatedo Federation. The categories of the championship are Women Kata events (Singles and Team) and Kumite events (Singles and Team) for 50 kilo and under, 55 kilo and under, 61 kilo and under and 61 kilo and over, and Men Kata events (Singles and Team) and Kumite events (Single and Team) for 55 kilo and under, 60 kilo and under, 67 kilo and under, 75 kilo and under and 75 kilo and over. MKF has planned to conduct a training course for Karatedo referees at the Karatedo Training Hall of Aung San Stadium from 10 to 12 December. Those wishing to attend the course must be from the Karatedo federations in states and regions and MKF will provide food and accommodation for them. MKF has also planned to open the Certificate Course of Karatedo at its training hall at Aung San Stadium from 8 to 12 December. Meanwhile, MKF has invited those wishing to compete in the 2nd Japan Cup Karatedo Championship 2010 to enroll at the federation not later than 7 December. For more information is available at MKF, Ph: 379939.
**In Greece’s fallow fields, solar energy stirs**

A worker looks on as he rests in a solar farm in Thiva, some 110 kilometres north of Athens on 14 November.—INTERNET

Asopia, 16 Nov—The son and grandson of farmers, Spyros Papathanassiou spends most of the day overseeing his family’s olive press and winery in the outskirts of Asopia, a village northeast of Athens. But his future is invested in a fenced-off contraption in the hills outside the village — a 5,800-square-metre solar farm on which Papathanassiou sank nearly half a million euros (dollars) three years ago.

“Agro-cultural income has been severely restricted in recent years,” says the 58-year-old former village mayor, shouting above the din of the olive press.

“Essentially, this job has never been very profitable.”

Last year, this entrepreneur and civil servant completed the €450,000 (618,000-dollar) solar farm in a discarded family vineyard, some 90 kilometres (56 miles) from the capital.

Though barely enough to power the local water drill, it is already helping his family supplement their income by selling electricity to the national grid. Papathanassiou hopes to repay his bank loans and break even in 4-5 years.—INTERNET

**Sushi wars: fight looms over bluefin tuna**

Paris, 16 Nov—Nations gather this week to decide how many Atlantic bluefin tuna they can extract from the sea without destroying the multibillion-dollar business that keeps Japan supplied in gourmet sushi and sashimi.

The highly charged debate pits dug-in economic interests against mounting concern that the gleaming, fatty fish is teetering close to the edge of viability.

Industrial-scale fishing in the Mediterranean and eastern Atlantic over the last four decades has depleted stocks by 85 percent, scientists say.

The reason is not hard to find: a single specimen of Thunnus thynnus, which can grow to two metres (six feet) and weigh 400 kilograms (900 pounds), can fetch over 100,000 euros (137,000 dollars) in Japanese wholesale markets.

Conservationists warn that stocks will collapse unless the International Commission for the Conservation of Atlantic Tunas (ICCAT), meeting in Paris for ten days from Wednesday, suspends or reduces catches long enough for the species to recover.—INTERNET

**India eyes double-digit growth**

New Delhi, 16 Nov—India is eyeing double-digit growth as it pulls out of the worst global financial slump in decades, its finance minister said Sunday, but needs greater foreign investment to speed growth.

Pranab Mukherjee’s upbeat forecast to the India World Economic Forum, came as international economies struggle to emerge from the financial crisis.

He said India’s economy was “on a path to rapid recovery” with the latest quarterly data showing 8.8 percent expansion.

“The challenge now is to quickly revert to the high GDP growth path of nine percent plus and even find the means to cross the double-digit growth barrier in the coming year or two,” he said.

He avoided direct comment on the outcome of the Group of 20 summit in Seoul that wrapped up with pledges by global leaders to avoid competitive currency devaluation and seek to rebalance trade between surplus and deficit nations.

But speaking to around 700 international chief executives Mukherjee noted India’s strong performance comes as the “global financial architecture” is transforming with emerging nations player a much bigger role.

“We are all witness to an emerging new world order” that hopefully will usher in “a more equitable arrangement for global prosperity,” he said.

**Fire kills seven at migrants’ residence in France**

Paris, 16 Nov—At least seven people were killed and more than one hundred injured in a fire at a residence for immigrant workers in the French city of Dijon late on Saturday, city authorities said. The fire began in a dustbin on the ground floor of the nine-storey building, the mayor’s office said on Sunday.

“The winds were unfavourable, blowing the flames against the wall of the building,” an official at the mayor’s office said.

Some of the victims suffered smoke inhalation and others were injured trying to escape, with some jumping out of windows. Four were in a critical condition.

The residence, in the Fontaine d’Ouche area of the city, is owned by housing operator Adoma and can accommodate 180 residents.

At the time of the fire, 141 people were inside the building. Twenty-one children were among the injured.

MNA/Reuters

**Maker of Four Loko to stop shipments to NY state**

New York, 16 Nov—The maker of a caffeinated alcoholic drink that has been banned in four states has agreed to stop shipments to New York state.

Gov David Paterson and the State Liquor Authority announced the agreement Sunday with Chicago-based Phusion Projects, which makes the drink Four Loko, and with the state’s largest beer distributors to stop selling caffeinated alcoholic beverages.

“New Yorkers deserve to know that the beverages they buy are safe for consumption,” Paterson said.

The company agreed to stop shipping the drinks by 19 Nov. Distributors have until on 10 Dec to finish out their inventory.

The popular drinks have been banned in Washington, Michigan, Utah and Oklahoma.

Four Loko comes in several varieties, including fruit punch and blue raspberry. A 23.5-ounce can sells for about $2.50 and has an alcohol content of 12 percent, comparable to four beers, according to the company’s website.

“This drink is too easy for teens to get and too dangerous for them to consume,” said state Sen. Joel Klein in a statement. He announced on Sunday, along with the State Liquor Authority, that a minor working undercover for the police was illegally sold Four Loko at 11 of 28 stores in the Bronx on 9 Nov.

**Cans of Four Loko are seen on display at a liquor store in Palo Alto, Calif, on 18 Oct, 2010.**—INTERNET

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A street child eats a mango in Mumbai in

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A worker looks on as he rests in a solar farm in

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Fishermen haul out tuna after a catch.—INTERNET
Bosnians, Albanians rush to get visa-free passport

ZHUHAI, 16 Nov—China boosted its ambitions to challenge Airbus and Boeing Co for a slice of a global market worth 1.7 trillion US dollars with a 100-plane order for its first commercial jetliner at a global market worth 1.7 trillion US dollars with a

Children are happier the fewer siblings they have

LONDON, 16 Nov—One of the widest-ranging research projects on family life conducted in Britain has revealed that the fewer siblings children have, the happier they are — and that only children are the most contented. The findings suggest that “sibling bullying” could be part of the problem, with 31 per cent of children saying they are hit, kicked or pushed by a brother or sister “quite a lot” or “a lot”. Others complain of belongings being stolen by siblings and being called hurtful names.

The figures are the first to emerge from Understanding Society, a study tracking the lives of 100,000 people in 40,000 UK households. The findings are based on 2,500 questionnaires, analysed by Gundi Knies at the University of Essex, where the study is based. She suggested that factors such as competition for the parents’ attention or the fact that toys, sweets or space need to be shared could be to blame.

Ms Knies also pointed to other data within the study: 29.5 per cent of teenagers complain of being called “nasty names” by brothers or sisters “quite a lot” or “a lot”, while 17.6 per cent say they have their belongings taken. Professor Dieter Wolke of the University of Warwick, who carried out the work on tensions between siblings, said: “More than half of all siblings (54 per cent) were involved in bullying in one form or the other.” Although there is also evidence that points to siblings supporting each other, he warned that children who face bullying were particularly vulnerable to behaviour problems and unhappiness.

Sea level rise threatens Alexandria, Nile Delta

ALEXANDRIA, 16 Nov—Twenty years ago, Taher Ibrahim raced his friends across Alexandria’s beaches, now rising seas have swept over his favourite childhood playground.

Alexandria, with 4 million people, is Egypt’s second-largest city, an industrial centre and a port that handles four-fifths of its trade. It is also a city of the Middle East’s cities most at risk from rising sea levels due to global warming.

“The water was used to go to in my lifetime, now those beaches are gone. Is that not proof enough?” asked Ibrahim, a manager at a supermarket chain who is in his 40s.

Flooding could displace entire communities in Alexandria and the low-lying Nile Delta, the fertile agricultural heartland of Egypt’s 79 million people. The Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) predicts that the Mediterranean will rise 30 centimetres to 1 metre this century.

More than half of Egypt’s people live within 100 kilometres of the coast. A 2007 World Bank study estimated that a one-metre sea level rise could displace 10 percent of the population.

Officials say salt water could submerge or soak 10 to 12 percent of farmland in the world’s largest wheat importer.
Five Canadians, two Mexicans dead in Cancun resort explosion

ANCUN, 16 Nov — At least five Canadian tourists and two workers were killed on Sunday in a gas explosion that ripped through the restaurant of a hotel on Mexico’s Caribbean coast, authorities said.

A child was among the dead at the Grand Riviera Princess hotel in the beach resort of Playa del Caribe.

“Under no circumstances are we talking about an attack. It was an accident,” the attorney general for Quintana Roo state, Francisco Alor, told reporters by telephone.

Alor said 17 people were seriously injured, two Canadians, two Americans and eight Mexicans.

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French Prime Minister Francois Fillon (C) shakes hands with France’s President Nicolas Sarkozy (L).

PARIS, 16 Nov — France’s President Nicolas Sarkozy pronounced him a “loyal team member,” seven ministers and two urgent procedures.

Sarkozy appoints right-wing cabinet with eye on 2012

PARIS, 16 Nov — French Prime Minister Francois Fillon head of a streamlined and more right-wing government yesterday announced he was stepping down.

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Meanwhile, centre-right Environment Minister Jean-Louis Borloo — the number two figure in his government — announced he was stepping down.

US funds circumcision to fight AIDS in Zimbabwe

HARARE, 16 Nov — The US ranks high on President Robert Mugabe’s enemies list, but at ground level it is leading a war on AIDS that may help save the life of 32-year-old Tineyi Marokwe and hundreds of thousands of other Zimbabweans.

The weapon is cheap and simple: male circumcision, considered a significant reducer of AIDS transmission.

In a 10-minute surgical operation, Marokwe recently became one of more than a million Zimbabwean men in the most sexually active age group who are being targeted for circumcision during the next seven years.

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Dad killed woman, two girls, then self

ERIE, 16 Nov — A man shot and killed a woman and her two daughters in his home late Saturday morning before turning the gun on himself, authorities said.

Eric County Coroner Lyell Cook identified the 39-year-old man, a 27-year-old woman and two girls, ages 4 and 7. A 2-year-old boy was taken to a hospital with a minor injury, and police believe the man tried to shoot himself, too.

He said he was not immediately clearly whether the man and woman were married. Kevin Klino, 51, who lives a block away, told The Associated Press that he heard gunshots but was not sure what had happened.

In this 28 Oct, 2010 picture, Tineyi Marokwe lies on a bed during a circumcision procedure at a local clinic in Harare, Zimbabwe.

CLAIMS DAY NOTICE

M.V RATHA BHUM VOY NO (536)

Consignees of cargo carried on M.V RATHA BHUM VOY NO (536) are hereby notified that the vessel will be arriving on 17.11.2010 and cargo will be discharged into the premises of M.I.P where it will lie at the consignee’s risk and expenses and subject to the byelaws and conditions of the Port of Yangon.

Damaged cargo will be surveyed daily from 8 am to 11:20 am and 12 noon to 4 pm to Claims Day now declared as the third day after final discharge of cargo from the Vessel.

No claims against this vessel will be admitted after the Claims Day.

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Handel’s ‘Alcina’ storms Vienna State Opera

VIENNA, 16 Nov—Baroque opera made a tumultuous comeback at the Vienna State Opera on Sunday, with a brand new production of “Alcina” by George Frideric Handel (1685-1759), which was met with rapturous applause.

Baroque opera was long banned under the house’s longest-serving director Ioan Holender, who stepped down at the end of the last season after 18 years at the helm. And while “Alcina”, composed in 1735, is one of Handel’s best-loved operas, it has never been performed before at the prestigious Staatsoper. Thus, the new staging — by British director Adrian Noble — represented a veritable revolution by the house’s new director, Frenchman Dominique Meyer.

All the more revolutionary was the fact that the State Opera’s “in-house” orchestra, the Vienna Philharmonic, was not in the pit, but French period-instrument band, Les Musiciens du Louvre-Grenoble, under their chief conductor Marc Minkowski.

Comcast-NBC deal review speeds up

NEW YORK, 16 Nov—US regulators have proposed anti-trust conditions as they aim to complete a review of Comcast Corp’s proposed deal to buy NBC Universal by the end of the year, the Wall Street Journal reported on Sunday.

The Justice Department and the Federal Communications Commission are likely to impose significant conditions to prevent Comcast from withholding NBC Universal’s programming from competitors, the report said, citing people familiar with the matter.

The combination of Comcast, the No 1 US cable operator, and NBC Universal, which is majority owned by General Electric Co, would create the largest US media company.

The two companies announced the proposed deal in December and it is widely expected to be approved with conditions. The FCC is looking at all parts of Comcast and NBC Universal’s combined online-video distribution chain for ways Comcast could promote content over its rivals, according to the report.

‘Elf’ on Broadway — who needs Will Ferrell?

NEW YORK, 16 Nov—Who needs Will? That might be the typical reaction from theatergoers after seeing the Broadway musical “Elf,” a show that remains true to the 2003 Will Ferrell movie but stands on its own with great sets and design, a funny adapted script and a collection of hardworking actors. It simply doesn’t need Ferrell in the pit. That’s largely due to a top-notch, behind-the-scenes team that features songs by Tony Award-nominees Matthew Sklar and Chad Beguelin (“The Wedding Singer”), a book by Tony winners Thomas Meehan (“Hairspray”) and Bob Martin (“The Drowsy Chaperone”).

Brad Pitt company vies to film Chile miner saga

SANTIAGO, 16 Nov—A Hollywood company owned by movie star Brad Pitt is in talks for film rights to the story of 33 miners rescued after surviving two months trapped deep underground in Chile, local media reported.

A lawyer for the miners told the daily El Mercurio that 46-year-old Pitt’s “Plan B” Entertainment Company, hopes also to create a film rendering of the miners’ harrowing underground captivity, which ended last month. Attorney Edgardo Reinoso, who represents the men, said Pitt’s company made a multi-million-dollar offer to win the rights to make the film. Several of the rescued miners might even be tapped for roles in the film, according to the newspaper.

Cosmopolitan French conductor says ‘music has no borders’

WASHINGTON, 16 Nov—For Philippe Auguin, who has just been named almost simultaneously as music director of both the Washington and Nice operas, distance is no object as there are no national or musical borders.

“What interests me, is always having new horizons,” Auguin said after taking up the reins of the Washington National Opera in October, less than a month after also assuming new duties with the Orchestre Philharmonique de Nice.

From an early age Auguin showed a passion for music, and especially the Austrian composers Alban Berg, Arnold Schoenberg and Anton Webern. He left his hometown of Nice to study abroad, first in Vienna and then Florence. “Everything was pushing me to leave France,” said the 49-year-old, now billed as one of the most sought after conductors of his generation.

Heidi Schreck packs many secrets in her new play

NEW YORK, 16 Nov—When an old friend drops into your life after 15 years, seeking temporary refuge from vague, foreign-based dangers, they should at least have plenty of exotic stories to share.

In that regard, Heidi Schreck has successfully packed a lot of dramatic tension, some odd tales and a few hints of the supernatural, into her quirky new play “There Are No More Big Secrets,” which opened Sunday night for a limited off-Broadway run at Rattlestick Playwrights Theater.

Long-married couple Maxine (Christina Kirk) and Charlie (Gibson Frazier) welcome their old friend Gabe and his wife into their Port Jervis, NY, home, despite not having heard from him for 16 years. Gabe, played with carelss charm by Adam Rothenberg, has just returned from Russia with his wife, Russian journalist Nina (Dagmara Dominczyk,) with whom he has a 14-year-old daughter.

Nina’s job as a journalist in Russia and Chechnya has become much too dangerous, and she’s seeking asylum in America to find a quiet life and be near their daughter Lana, who attends private school in Connecticut. Gabe also seems to be involved in a possibly shady “export-import” business that he doesn’t like to discuss.

In this undated publicity photo released by O&M Co, from left, Christina Kirk, Gibson Frazier, Dagmara Dominczyk, and Adam Rothenberg are shown in a scene from “There Are No More Big Secrets,” performing off-Broadway at Rattlestick Playwrights Theater in New York. —INTERNET

A Hollywood company owned by movie star Brad Pitt, pictured in July 2010, is in talks for film rights. —INTERNET

French Maestro Philippe Auguin, seen here during a rehearsal at the Kennedy Centre in Washington, DC. —INTERNET
Ancelotti expects Terry back for Birmingham clash

**LONDON, 16 Nov — Carlo Ancelotti expects John Terry to be back for next weekend’s trip to face Birmingham after the Chelsea captain missed the champions’ shock 3-0 home defeat to Sunderland. Terry was forced to withdraw the day before the game when he suffered a recurrence of a hamstring injury that also meant he would miss England’s midweek friendly with France.**

The defender has suffered with this problem on a number of occasions already this season, but Chelsea manager Ancelotti insists this is not a matter for concern.

“John had control of this problem,” Ancelotti said. “He never missed a training session, but yesterday (Saturday) the pain was more, so he was not able to play. But I think he can play the next game. “It is an injury, but he can control it. He has controlled it for 12 games. He is doing good prevention, good treatment. Everything will be okay for him.” — Internet

**Lyon beat Nice to edge closer to French summit**

**PARIS, 16 Nov — Lyon jumped four places to eighth in the French top flight on Sunday, their highest position of the season so far, after a 1-0 win at home to an unadventurous Nice side.**

Young winger Jeremy Pied put Lyon ahead in the 30th minute when he volleyed Yoann Gourcuff’s cross. The hosts won a dubious penalty shortly afterwards, after Bafetimbi Gomis went down easily in the box, but Michel Bastos’ spot-kick was pushed onto the post by Nice goalkeeper David Ospina.

Pied’s goal proved sufficient, however, and allowed Claude Puel’s team to close to within three points of leaders Marseille, who have a game in hand.

**Higuain strike keeps Real top of Spanish league**

**MADRID, 16 Nov — Real Madrid remain top of the Primera Liga after Gonzalo Higuain scored the only goal of a hard fought battle filled with tension against Sporting Gijon on Sunday.**

With Barcelona provi-sionally overtaking them on the top of the table on Saturday after a 3-1 win over Villarreal the onus was on Real Madrid to respond against Sporting.

And the atmosphere had already been stoked by reckonng when Manolo Preciado reacted angrily to quotes from his Real counterpart Jose Mourinho suggesting that his side had not put up a fight when they played Barcelona.

**Swedish Robin Soderling returns the ball to his French opponent Gael Monfils during the Paris masters.** — Internet

Lead is not enough, insists AC Milan coach

**MILAN, 16 Nov — AC Milan coach Massimiliano Allegri insisted his team’s six point lead over arch rivals Inter Milan won’t be enough to win the title.**

Former nerazzurri Zlatan Ibrahimovic came back to haunt his former team as he scored the only goal of the game to give the rossoneri derby bragging rights despite the dismissal of Ignazio Abate.

Milan are now a point clear of Lazio at the top of Serie A with Inter down in fifth, six points off the summit.

But Allegri said he won’t be settling for that gap.

“Having six points is quite a lot and we’ll continue to work calmly but this six points isn’t enough,” he said.

“The team did very well, they didn’t give anything away, not even when we were down to 10 men. “We played well, we were aggressive and we created many chances, I’m happy with what they did.” — Internet

**Arjen Robben was on the score sheet for Bayern Munich.** — Internet

**Gomez double fires Bayern sixth in Bundesliga**

**BERLIN, 16 Nov — German striker Mario Gomez scored twice on Sunday as defending champions Bayern Munich went sixth in the Bundesliga with a 3-0 win over Nuremberg.**

The defending champions are still 12 points behind league leaders Dortmund, who have a seven- point lead at the top of the table after their 2-0 win over Hamburg on Friday.

Coach Louis van Gaal said he expects his side to be title contenders, despite having a 12-point deficit to make up.

“We have to try and get at least 30 points, then we will have a chance,” said the Dutchman.

“I think Dortmund are very lucky at the moment, but they have a good team, they are well organised, play well and have a good coach.

“Their players really want to win.”

Bayern took an early lead in Munich when Gomez took a clever pass from Croatia’s Danijel Pranjić and fired home on 10 minutes. — Internet

**In-Kyung Kim wins Lorena Ochoa Invitational**

**GUADALAJARA, 16 Nov — South Korea’s In-Kyung Kim won the Lorena Ochoa Invitational on Sunday for her third LPGA Tour title, closing with an 8-under 64 for a three-stroke stroke victory over Suzann Pettersen.**

Kim played the front nine in 6-under 30 and added three birdies and a bogey on the final nine.

“I don’t know how to really take this all in,” Kim said. “It’s been a great week. I mean, on the golf course, I played very good golf all week. The puts pretty much kept dropping today.”

“Yesterday, it was missing this way and that way, and today, it started going in, the next started going in, and another one, and I’m like, wow.”

She had a tournament-record 19-under total on the Guadalajara Country Club course and earned $220,000, which she said she’s donating to charity — half to the Lorena Ochoa Foundation and half to an American organization to be deter-mined. — Internet

**Wenger regrets Bothroyd didn’t shine for Arsenal**

**LIVERPOOL, 16 Nov — Arsene Wenger admitted the departure of Jay Bothroyd was “one of his regrets” as Arsenal manger.**

And he is hoping Nicklas Bendtner won’t be another after the Danish striker expressed his frustration at a lack of first-team football.

It was the only disap-pointment for Wenger on Sunday after a 2-1 win at Everton took his side into second place in the Premier League, with two points of leaders Chelsea.

Wenger said: “It is very difficult for me for Arsenal manager Arsene Wenger (right) argues with the fourth official during their English Premier League match. — Internet

A player to say he doesn’t want to play. There’s nothing special in that. “He was not in the squad (against Everton) because he had a little groin problem and I left him at home.”

**Soderling defeats Monfils to win Paris Masters**

**PARIS, 16 Nov — Sweden’s Robin Soderling secured his first ever Masters title with a 6-1, 7-6 (7/1) defeat of home favourite Gael Monfils in the ATP Paris Masters final on Sunday.**

Soderling, a two-time French Open finalist, claimed his sixth career title to inflict a second consecutive Bercy final defeat upon 12th seed Monfils, who was beaten by Novak Djokovic in straight sets in last year’s decider.

Victory also made Soderling the first man from his country to win a Masters tournament since Thomas Enqvist’s success in Cincinnati in 2000. — Internet

**Gonzalo Higuain scored twice on Sunday as defending champions Bayern Munich went sixth in the Bundesliga with a 3-0 win over Nuremberg.** — Internet

Higuain hit the post with a cross early on but Real caused little danger in the first half while Sport-ing were a threat on the break down the wings through Diego Castro and Nacho Novo.

**Real Madrid’s Argentinian forward Gonzalo Higuain celebrates after scoring against Sporting during their Spanish first league match.** — Internet

**In-Kyung Kim, of South Korea, watches her tee shot on the 9th hole during the final round of the Lorena Ochoa Invitational.** — Internet

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Study says better sanitation could save two mln lives a year

LONDON, 16 Nov — Nearly 20 percent of the world’s population still defecates in the open, and action to improve hygiene, sanitation and water supply could prevent more than 2 million child deaths a year, health experts said on Monday.

In a series of studies on sanitation published as a cholera epidemic claims hundreds of live in Haiti, public health researchers from the United States and Europe found that this year 2.6 billion people across the world do not have access to even a basic toilet.

Unsafe sanitation and drinking water, together with poor hygiene, account for at least 7 percent of disease across the world, they said, as well as nearly 20 percent of all child deaths in the world.

MNA/Reuters

WEATHER

Tuesday, 16th November, 2010

Summary of observations recorded at 09:30 hr. M.S.T.

During the past 24 hours, rain has been isolated in Shan and Kayah States, Taninthayi Region, weather has been partly cloudy in the remaining States and Regions.

Night temperatures were (3°C) to (4°C) above November average temperatures in Shan, Rakhine, Kayah and Mon States, Mandalay, Magway, Bago and Yangon Regions, (3°C) below November average temperature in Chin State, and about November average temperatures in the remaining States and Regions. The significant night temperatures were Haka (5°C), Mindat and Katha (9°C) each. The noteworthy amounts of rainfall recorded were Loikaw (0.87) inch and Namsnaws (0.39) inch.

Nay Pyi Taw

Maximum temperature on 15-11-2010 was 93°F. Rainfall on 16-11-2010 was (Nil).

Yangoon (Kaba-Yae)

Maximum temperature on 15-11-2010 was 96°F. Minimum temperature on 16-11-2010 was 75°F. Rainfall on 16-11-2010 was (Nil) at Mingaladon, Kaba Yae and Central Yangon. Total rainfall since 1-1-2010 was (82.20) inches at Mingaladon, (96.06) inches at Kaba Yae and (108.46) inches at Central Yangon. Maximum wind speed at Yangon (Kaba Yae) was (5) mph from East at (15:30) hours MST on 15-11-2010.

Bay Inference: According to the observations at (12:30) hrs MST today, the low pressure area over Southwest Bay still persists. Weather is partly cloudy to cloudy over the Andaman Sea and Southwest Bay and partly cloudy over elsewhere in the Bay of Bengal.

Forecast valid until evening of the 17th November 2010: Light rain are likely to be isolated in Kachin, Shan, Mon and Kayin States, Taninthayi Region, weather will be partly cloudy over Chin and Kayah States, upper Sagaing and Yangon Regions and generally fair in the remaining States and Regions. Degree of certainty is (60%).

State of the sea: Squalls with moderate to rough seas are likely at times Deltaic, Gulf of Mottama, off and along Mon-Taninthayi Coast. Surface wind speed in squalls may reach (35) mph. Seas will be moderate elsewhere in Myanmar waters.

Outlook for subsequent two days: Likelihood of continuation of rain in the Southern Myanmar areas.

Forecast for Nay Pyi Taw and neighbouring area for 17-11-2010: Generally fair weather.

Forecast for Yangon and neighbouring area for 17-11-2010: Partly cloudy.

Forecast for Mandalay and neighbouring area for 17-11-2010: Generally fair weather.

Wednesday, 17 November

View on today

7:00 am
1. Paritta By Venerable Min Gun Sayadaw
2. Lwin Pyin Than

7:10 am
3. To Be Healthy Exercise

7:30 am
4. Morning News
5. Nice & Sweet Song

7:55 am
6. Cultural Dances
7. Myanmar Traditional Cultural Performing Arts Competition
8:20 am
9. Teleplay (Health)

8:40 am
10. Musical Programme
11. Martial Song

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12. Teleplay (Health)

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13. Musical Programme
14. Song Of National Races

9:25 am
15. Myanmar Traditional Cultural Performing Arts Competition

9:35 pm
16. University Of Distance Education (TV Lectures)

10:00 pm
17. Second Year (Economics)

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18. Songs For Upholding National Spirit

11:00 pm
19. Traditional Songs

11:30 pm
20. Teleplay (Policy)

12:00 pm
21. “ASEAN” Programmes

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6:00 pm
23. Evening News

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24. Weather Report

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25. Traditional Boxing

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26. Shwe Yin Chone Than

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27. Ratha Pawlwin Thayokeasung Lwin Pyin (Character Contest)

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29. Myanmar Fashion Show of Successive Eras

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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
- We favour development
- We oppose unrest and violence
- Wipe out those inciting unrest and violence

Political parties can remonstrate with UEC about representatives-elect in accordance with rules and regulations

NAY PYI TAW, 16 Nov — The Union Election Commission has informed the political parties today that if they want to remonstrate with the commission about the representatives-elect, they can do so in accordance with the rules and regulations.

In the letter of UEC sent to the political parties dated November 16, the commission said Myanma Radio and Television and dailies have made public the names of the representatives-elect and numbers of votes the candidates gain. The letter said the political parties are to send a letter of objection to the commission in accordance with the Election Rule 87 and Articles 67 and 68 of the respective Election Laws if they want to object a representative-elect or to claim the voting in the constituency is unfair.

Some political parties made allegations through foreign radio stations and print media on the grounds that their candidates were not elected in the elections, the letter said, and such allegations go against the Article 64 of the respective Election Laws.

And the political parties are therefore advised to make the objection in accordance with rules and regulations if they want to remonstrate with the commission with a representative-elect or to claim the voting in the constituency is unfair, the letter said.

Supplement of ballot counts for each Hluttaw candidate
The 24-page supplements carrying ballot counts for each Hluttaw candidate are attached in this daily issued today.